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TURKISH DIPLOMACY HAS GIVEN VALUABLE SERVICE TO BALKAN SOLIDARITY: BELGRADE PARLEY GONE FARTHER THAN EXPECTED



M. Gafencu, Rumanian Foreign Minister.

Government Launching Anti-Gossip Campaign

SPECIAL POSTERS FOR FACTORIES

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—The Government is launching a big anti-gossip campaign and posters will shortly be issued warning the nation against the dangers of careless talk.

People will specially be warned not to mention the movement of ships, either mercantile or naval, or to talk about munitions and armaments.

A special poster, which appeals for secrecy, will be displayed in arms factories, Government offices, dockyards and barracks.

Welsh-speaking villages will have posters in Welsh.

About 2,500,000 copies of posters will be distributed this week and specimen posters will be sent to the Dominions and Colonies.

Important British shipping offices, where passages booked to South Africa, India and America, will be enlisted in the campaign.

TRIAL OF FRENCH COMMUNISTS

PARIS, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Forty-four Deputies and former members of the now banned French Communist Party will be tried shortly before a military court on a charge of carrying on a Communist organisation in violation of the decree of last September.

Conviction will carry penalties up to five years' imprisonment. Nine Communist Deputies, who have fled from the country, will be tried, in their absence, for treason, for which the penalty may be death.

No action will be taken against seven other ex-Communist Deputies as they have disowned the Party.

WOMAN WRITER DIES AT 105

Special to the H. K. Daily Press
HERLIN, Feb. 6 (Havas)—Reports from Russia announced the death of the famous woman writer Catherine Novikova Sarina, aged 105.

She was known for her tales on Russian life.

LONDON, FEB. 6 (BWS)—THE IMPRESSION CREATED BY EARLIER REPORTS THAT THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE OF THE BALKAN ENTENTE HAD BEEN MARKEDLY SUCCESSFUL IS DEEPENED BY FULLER DETAILS WHICH HAVE SINCE REACHED LONDON.

THE TIMES MENTIONS AS IMPORTANT CONSEQUENCES OF THE MEETING THE MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN BULGARIA AND THE BALKAN ENTENTE AND HUNGARY'S DECISION TO REFRAIN FROM MAKING TERRITORIAL CLAIMS ON RUMANIA FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR.

The Times adds, "As M. Gafencu pointed out, all nations represented at the conference, despite frequent quarrels and rivalries, have many points of contact, many common interests, and sympathies, and many similarities of culture. Western Europe had been too often tempted to disregard these common factors of understanding and agreement and to write off the Balkan States as eternally sundered by ancient and popular feuds."

"But the successes of Greek and Turkish diplomacy in recent years have shown the fallacy of this theory. The gulf that divided the Greeks and the Turks since the fall of Constantinople, nearly five centuries ago, was closed in the last decade.

"Turkey, after periods of bitter warfare or mistrust, is now on good terms with the Bulgarian Kingdom. Turkish diplomacy has unquestionably rendered most valuable service to the Balkan solidarity by its patient and unceasing efforts at Sofia.

NOT FLATITUDES

"In other respects, too, the conference has gone much farther than expected. Its resolutions are not platitudes. Although cautiously worded, these resolutions are the more important in that they follow the Press campaign, lately abated, but very marked, until the

conference met, which seemed to indicate the Nazi and Soviet Governments viewed any Balkan rapprochement with disfavour.

"During the last few days the attitude of the German Press has been modified in favour of sudden recognition of the rights of the Balkan nations to fair treatment.

After alternate attacks and expressions of disparagement, which had marked all German references to the conference, the new attitude of benevolent reserve is the more significant. It is plain that whatever the immediate consequences of the Belgrade meeting further attempts to shake the solidarity of the Entente are not likely to be successful.

"In France and Britain, which have guaranteed the territorial integrity of three of the four Member States of the Balkan Entente, the unanimity shown at Belgrade and the decisions taken there will be warmly appreciated."

Nazi Spring Offensive

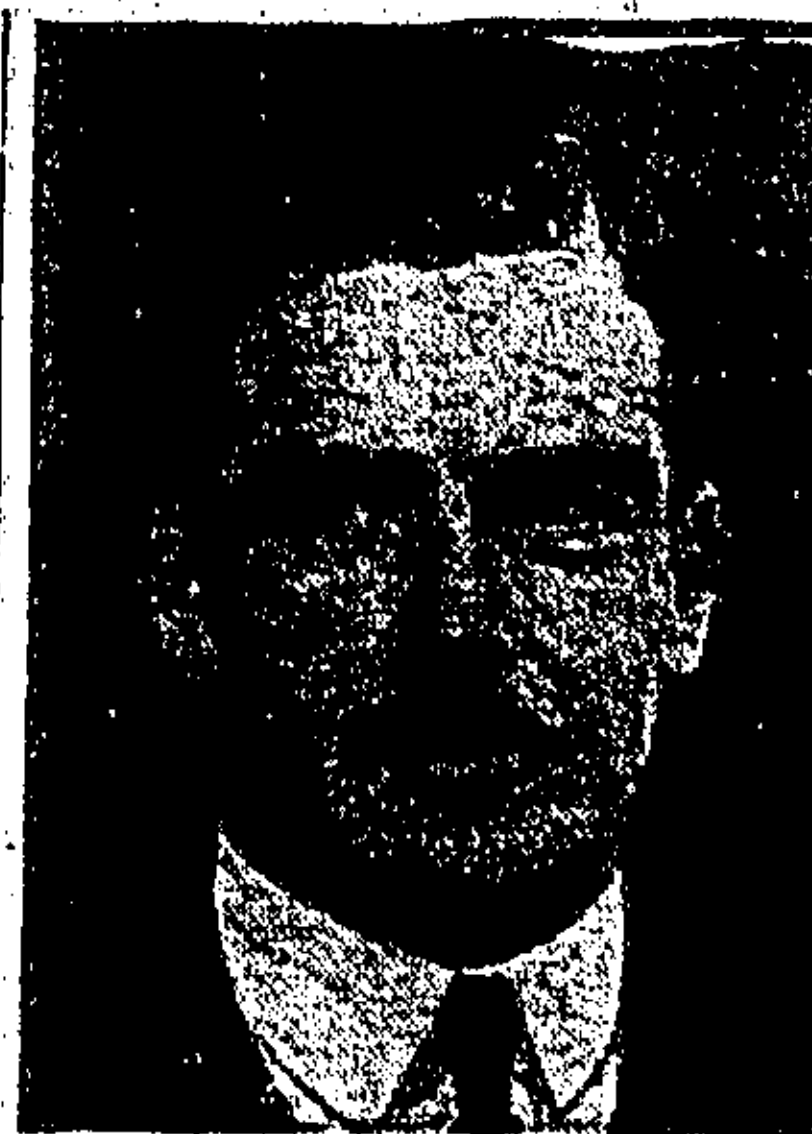
NAVAL WOULD BE MORE LOGICAL

PARIS, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—"If Germany is planning a Spring offensive it will be more logical if it took the form of a great naval offensive, with submarines and planes taking part," declared M. Charles Morice in the Petit Parisien.

Pointing out that Germany has lost half of her submarine force in five months, M. Morice adds that, in order to strike a hard blow against Britain, Germany must await the completion of all the small submarines she is building. This is on the way of being achieved.

NAZI GAOLED

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—A Berlin message states that a fifty-two-year-old German from Badenweiler was sentenced to three years' hard labour for listening to British and French radio broadcasts.



Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary for the Dominions.

POLICY OF FINNISH GENERAL STAFF

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Finnish General Staff seems to be pursuing the same policy as was followed over the victory at Suomussalmi and saying nothing about it until the last remnants of the enemy force are cleared up.

Last night the Finnish BWS agency at Helsinki issued a brief message describing as "unfounded" the news of the destruction of the Eighteenth Division but stated that the Division had been surrounded.

It is possible that one of the small force of 1,000 men has not yet been completely rounded up.

Instructions To Japanese Shipping Companies

TOKYO, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. H. Arita, announced that, in order to eliminate uneasiness on the part of Japanese vessels in future, the Japanese Government has issued instructions to Japanese shipping companies not to allow passages for persons embodied, or suspected to be embodied, in the armed forces of belligerent Powers.

The attention of the British Government, he added, has been drawn to the measure mentioned. "It is my firm belief," Mr. Arita concluded, "that in future occurrence of incidents, similar to the Asama Maru, will be prevented."

NAZI - NORWAY NEGOTIATIONS

OSLO, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Commenting on the forthcoming negotiations for a trade agreement with Germany, the newspaper Tidens Tegn says that Norway should take the opportunity to secure guarantees that Norwegian ships will not be sunk en route to neutral ports and that her seamen will not be "murdered with the machine-gun."

SUPERINTENDING CONSUL

PEIPING, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Mr. L. H. Lamb, former British Consul-General here, left at noon today for Shanghai. He is going by train to Chingwangtao from where he will go to Shanghai by ship.

Mr. Lamb, it is understood, is taking up the position of superintending consul at Shanghai.

KING AND QUEEN BACK IN LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Their Majesties the King and Queen returned to Buckingham Palace yesterday afternoon, after spending the week-end at Windsor.

New Zealand Centenary Celebrations: Message Of Goodwill From King: Broadcast By Mr. Eden

LONDON, FEB. 6 (BWS)—THE CEREMONY OF THE SIGNING IN 1840 OF THE TREATY OF WAITANGI, WHEREBY NEW ZEALAND MAORIS ACCEPTED BRITISH SOVEREIGNTY, WAS RE-ENACTED IN ITS ORIGINAL SETTING AT THE GREAT MAORI GATHERING AT WAITANGI TODAY AND FORMED PART OF THE NEW ZEALAND CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS. THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, LORD GALWAY, WAS PRESENT AND THE MARQUESS OF WILLINGDON ATTENDED AS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT.

Messages of goodwill were read from the King and from several foreign countries.

The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, wished New Zealand many and happier returns of the day in a broadcast from London this morning.

He said, "We know, only too well, your celebrations must be overshadowed by the knowledge that the Empire is at war. Yet, in looking back over the last hundred years of your history, we can see most clearly the practice and development of those very principles, for whose preservation, we are fighting."

"For the second time in a generation the supreme test has come. The challenge has been thrown down. The answer of New Zealand and her sister Dominions have been given without hesitation and with a spontaneous unity that only nations, which enjoy true liberty, can achieve."

"It is this knowledge of the unity of the British Commonwealth which gives confidence to the people of Britain in the face of the harsh struggle which confronts them. It is pride in this unity which will enable them to endure the rigours of war restrictions and sacrifices and which will help them to face that grief and loss which is inevitable in war."

Referring to New Zealand's part in the last war, Mr. Eden recalled that it was his personal privilege to serve side by side with New Zealanders in the Battle of Somme in 1916.

LONDON RECEPTION

In honour of the centenary, the Lord Mayor of London is holding a reception at Mansion House this afternoon and other functions held in connexion with the occasion included the Royal Empire Society's

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Iran And Afghanistan Preparing

Special to the H.K. Daily Press
ROME, Feb. 6 (Havas)—Informed quarters fear a possible German-Soviet action towards the Gulf of Persia and the Oman Sea.

Iran and Afghanistan are making extensive military preparations: Iran has purchased many planes from abroad and is strengthening her borders, while Afghanistan has ordered partial mobilisation.

A combined German-Russian move would threaten both the position of the Allies in the Near East and Britain's communications with India.

DEEPLY IMPRESSED

Meanwhile local politicians are deeply impressed by the Allies action in the Near East, especially the Anglo-French preparations in Syria and Mesopotamia.

Considerable importance is attached to the impending visit to Italy of Gen. Maxime Weygand, former Commander-in-Chief of the French Army, who is at present inspecting the defence works of Egypt and will shortly attend the manoeuvres of Anglo-Egyptian troops.

PARIS, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Today's War communiqué says that there was nothing to report.

ALLIED AND NEUTRAL LOSSES AT SEA: GERMAN CLAIMS ARE REPUDIATED

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—The Admiralty issued a statement on the Allied and neutral losses at sea as the result of German submarine and mine warfare during the past week which repudiates the German claims of losses inflicted.

From Jan. 28 to Feb. 4 the total number of Allied and neutral ships sunk was 14, amounting to 42,800 tons.

A change this week is that more British ships were sunk than neutrals—eight British and six neutrals.

The British losses were 25,000 tons this week and, including losses for the fortnight, amounted to 72,000 tons as compared with the German claims of 200,000 tons in the ten days ending Jan. 21. The British losses do not include the Beaverburn and the minesweeper, H.M.S. Phinx.

It is understood that the crew of the Beaverburn were saved, except one man, who may also be safe but is not yet accounted for.

NAMES OF SHIPS

British Wireless reports that sinkings due to enemy action for the week ended midnight February 4-5 comprise eight British ships, of 25,069 tons, and six neutral ships, of 17,546 tons.

Neutral sinkings comprise the s.s. Fredensborg (Danish, 2,094 tons), Eleon Stattholm (Greek, 5,625), Keramial (Greek, 5,085), Vidar (Danish, 1,353), Fram (Norwegian, 2,760) and Tempo (Norwegian, 629). Last week's total tonnage of British shipping lost as a result of enemy action is only slightly higher than the average weekly increase to the merchant navy—some 20,000 tons—through new construction, captures of German ships and purchase of foreign ships.

JAPAN AIMS AT EXPELLING ALL FOREIGN INTERESTS IN THE FAR EAST

COLLISION CASE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION

SHANGHAI, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—It is learned that the case involving the American steamer Peter Kerr, 6,475 tons, of the Pacific Atlantic Steamship Company, and the Greek vessel Dionysios Statathos, 5,188 tons, of D.D. Statathos, which was originally scheduled to come up before the United States Court for China, has been settled by arbitration for \$240.

The two ships collided in the Whangpoo River on Jan. 14 upon which the Greek Company claimed \$1,500 damages and a notice of seizure was served by the United States marshal on the Peter Kerr's commander, but a \$3,000 bond was posted by the Columbia Casualty Company the following day, and the Peter Kerr sailed.

DEATH SENTENCE TO STAND

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—The Home Secretary, Sir John Anderson, announced that he was not justified in recommending interference with the sentence of death passed on Barnes and Richards on Dec. 14 following the Coventry explosion. The executions were fixed for Feb. 7.

The Attorney General, Sir Donald Somervell, K. C., earlier refused a flat for an appeal to the House of Lords.

The explosion occurred on Aug. 25 as a result of which four men and a woman were killed.

Dr. H. H. Kung Attacks Wang's Secret Pact With Japanese

CHUNGKING, Feb. 6 (Central)—"The true significance of the Wang Ching-wei-Japan secret agreement lies in Japan's ambition to establish hegemony over the Orient and dominate the world," declared Dr. H. H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan and Minister of Finance, when speaking at the Sun Yat-sen weekly memorial service yesterday morning.

"Politically," Dr. Kung said, "Japan aims at expelling foreign interests, economically, at monopolising the Chinese market while militarily, at controlling China's land, naval and air bases to menace third Powers."

MENACE TO SOVIET

Japan not only harbours antagonistic feelings, but has ambitious designs, both military and political, against the Soviet Union. Dr. Kung pointed out.

In the secret agreement in addition to China's recognition of "Manchukuo" and stationing of Japanese troops in Mongolia, she demands, on the ground of anti-communism, for the utilisation of China's resources and manpower. The enforcement of these provisions would place Japan in a favourable position to menace the Soviet Union. By the combination of the resources and manpower of two of the most important Asiatic nations against the Soviet

Union Japan might be sure of success.

"OPEN DOOR" CLOSED

From the standpoint of international relations, the secret agreement violates the sanctity of international treaties, especially the League Covenant and the Nine Power Treaty, and breaks

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In the World of Sports

SOUTH CHINA "A" CONTINUE TO SHOW CONVINCING FORM

Robinson's Brilliance In Goal For Navy

BY "PILAT"

ALTHOUGH THERE WERE ONLY THREE SENIOR FOOTBALL GAMES OVER THE WEEK-END, FANS WERE COMPENSATED BY THE EXCELLENT SOCCER SEEN IN TWO OF THE GAMES.

The Senior Shield holders, South China "A," continue to show convincing form. They defeated Royal Navy on Saturday by four goals to two to enter the semi-final.

Navy played one of their best games this season and, if the forwards had shown better accuracy in their shooting, the result might well have been quite different.

Robinson was as agile as ever and his brilliance saved the Senior Service from what would have been a bigger defeat.

Styles and O'Regan, paired for the first time, offered a staunch front to the swift-moving Chinese forwards but the intermediate line could be improved. Nicholls, the pivot, found the job of matching wiles with Lee Wai-tong and Fung King-cheung too much for him and, consequently, this weakened the effectiveness of the halves, throwing more work on the backs.

BAD SHOOTING

The forwards played inspired football and, but for their fault of bad shooting, would have obtained better results. Hendy was an enterprising leader and was given all the support that he needed. Thorburn was the most dangerous of the forwards.

South China played their usual fine game, never wasting a single pass and making the most of every opportunity they had.

Mak Shu-hon and Lee tin-sang, especially in the second half, showed better form and were more like their usual steady selves.

FOURTH DEFEAT

Kwong Wah sustained their fourth defeat in a row when they lost to Police on Sunday in the First Division. The once much-fancied Kwong Wah team put up a rather poor fight and the custodians of the law always had the upper-hand, their defence having an easy afternoon.

The Police improved showing has definitely indicated that they are on the up-grade now and may yet, before the end of the season, supply fans with a surprise or two.

The backs, on the few occasions that they were called upon, acquitted themselves well.

Howlett and Ferrier were prominent in the forward line, the former being very tricky and confirmed my opinion that he is one of the best dribblers in the Colony.

Kwong Wah, after the interval, completely faded out of the picture and it is to the credit of their defence that they were able to leave the field two goals in arrears.

Lee Kwok-wai, left-back, was head and shoulder above the rest but even his magnificent display could not help his side to avert defeat.

EASTERN'S FIGHT

Despite the fact that Eastern won by the wide margin of four goals to one, they had to fight all the way in their game against South China "B" on Sunday on the Club ground.

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HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

INTERPORT MATCHES.

Hong Kong v Saigon.
Friday, February 9, 1940.

Eastern A.A. v Saigon.
Saturday, February 10, 1940.

South China A.A. v Saigon.
Sunday, February 11, 1940.

All matches will be played at Caroline Hill at 3.30 p.m. each day.

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INTERPORT SOCCER REFEREES

At a meeting of the Hong-kong Referees' Association held last night, the following referees and linesmen were selected to officiate at the inter-port matches with Saigon.

Hongkong v. Saigon Friday, Feb. 9. Referee—H. S. Stokes; Linesmen, H. N. Beard and W. H. Foster.

Eastern v. Saigon, Saturday, Feb. 10. Referee—K. K. Ip; Linesmen, F. J. Silva and W. H. Glover.

South China v. Saigon, Referee—D. B. Mitchell; Linesmen, M. Minnihan and A. E. Clark.

All matches will be played at Caroline Hill at 3.30 p.m. each day.

and played no small part in keeping down the score.

The strongest department of the Caroline Hill team was in their halves who played a sterling game while Kwok Ying-ki was the best among the forwards.

PROBLEMS AT FOOTBALL MATCHES

REFEREES DECIDE ON ACTION

Decisions for likely problems that may confront referees officiating at football matches were made at the meeting of the Hong-kong Referees' Association held last night. Mr. D. B. Mitchell presided.

The following problems were put before the meeting and decisions were arrived at as stated in each case:—

(a) A player has been hurt and has been allowed to leave the field for treatment. After treatment this player waits near the goal-post for the referee's permission to re-enter the field and play. While he is so waiting, the opposing centre-forward breaks through and has only the goalkeeper to beat. The player near the goal-post, rushes on to the field of play and deliberately fouls the oncoming centre-forward, inside the penalty area.

It was decided in such an eventuality to caution the player and award a penalty.

A goalkeeper is in possession of the ball, and an attacking forward

Army Boxing Finals

The Hongkong Area Individual Novices' Boxing Finals will take place on Monday and Tuesday, February 19 and 20, at 8.30 and 8.30 p.m. respectively, and on February 22 at 8.30 p.m. These will be held at Murray Barracks at the same prices.

H.E. the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasett will give away the prizes at the Inter-Units Novices' Boxing Finals between the Royal Scots and Middlesex Regiment at Murray Barracks at 8.30 o'clock to-night. The band of the Royal Scots will be in attendance.

Charges for admission will be \$1 and 50 cents, while Servicemen will be admitted at 20 cents. Season tickets for all Army boxing finals are available at \$5 each.

ward legitimately charges him into the net, the ball being cleared before the goalkeeper crosses the goal-line. The opposing player also falls over the goal-line into the net where he is struck by the goalkeeper. What action should the referee take, and how should the game be re-started. The ball was in mid-field when the incident occurred.

In such a case it was decided

SHANGHAI'S CHANCES IN RUGGER INTERPORT ARE CONSIDERED BRIGHT

SHANGHAI, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—Shanghai's chances in the rugger interport on a heavy field, are considered bright. Meanwhile, local rugger officials are beset with difficulties concerning the venue for the interport.

Arrangements have been tentatively made for the match to be played at the Canidrome on Thursday morning, but yesterday the pitch was almost completely under water.

DECIDED IMPROVEMENT

It is hoped that the ensuing 24 hours will see a decided improvement but anyway, it is understood that in the event of the Canidrome being unfit, the match will be played off at Kichow Road Park.

The rain has stopped at present, but it is still cloudy.

IN GOOD SPIRITS

Looking extremely fit and in good spirits the Hongkong interport football and rugger teams arrived at noon today. The ship Esang was delayed for two hours owing to a collision in the early

that the goalkeeper should be ordered off the field and a penalty be awarded.

morning off Wocsung with a Greek steamer in which the Esang was reported to have damaged her stern slightly.

The visitors were met at the wharf by representatives of the Shanghai Football Association and Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club who gave them a warm welcome.

The teams are staying at the Palace Hotel, but as the grounds are closed owing to the unfavourable weather in the past few days the players will be unable to practice till tomorrow.

A. V. Gosano, captain of the football team, said he had every confidence in his team which, he stated, was the best side Hongkong could produce except for the exclusion of Chinese.

He added that the side was one of the heaviest to visit Shanghai and the line-up would be announced on the morning of the interport match as it would depend on the conditions of the ground.

Birrel, Waite & Picton Help Sappers To Beat

Middlesex At Rugger

SPLENDID ARMY LEAGUE GAME

Overshadowing their opponents by brilliant form on the part of Birrell, Waite and Picton, the Royal Engineers emerged worthy victors in their Army League game against the Middlesex XV at Soekumpoo yesterday by 12 points (one penalty goal and 3 tries) to nil.

The Sappers owed their victory to the brilliant form showed by Birrell, Waite and Picton in the second half, where some very fine bouts of passing took place, culminating in Birrell and Picton crossing over for a touchdown.

The losers, although opposed to a much superior team went down fighting to the last minute and never gave up trying to wipe off some of their arrears. While their forwards played hard, it was the weak back play and hooking which were eventually responsible for their defeat.

EVEN PLAN

Play was even in the first half and, although six points were registered against them, the Middlesex had a fair share of the game. Only the brilliance of Birrell, who scored a magnificent penalty goal, and subsequently crossed over, kept the winners on top in the first half.

In the second half the Sappers dominated most of the play and, although the Middlesex tried their best to stave off a heavier defeat, some very fine three-quarter play saw the Sappers go over for two unconverted tries.

ROYAL ENGINEERS: Lt. Otway, L/Cpl. Birrell, Spr. Jones, Spr. Arlingstall, L/Cpl. Picton; L/Cpl. Foley, L/Cpl. Waite (Capt), Cpl. Eouzan, Spr. Pike, L/Cpl. Appley, L/Sgt. Davis, L/Sgt. Blackman, Spr. Martin, L/Sgt. Prinkly, Cpl. Sheldrake.

MIDDLESEX: D/M Holdford, Pte. Ferguson, Lt. Man, L/Cpl. Maggenide, Pte. Williams; Lt. Weedon, L/Cpl. Jones, L/Cpl. Pearce, Lt. Hys, Capt. Sgt. Burrell, Pte. Jennings, Cpl. Wooley, Pte. Henlock, Cpl. Odham Pte. Berry, Lt. Piria of the Royal Scots handled the game.

ARMY LEAGUE

The other match scheduled to be played off at Soekumpoo between The Royal Scots and the 5th A.A. Regt. A. was cancelled.

Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY TEAMS

The following teams will represent the Y.M.C.A. at hockey on Saturday:

1st XI v. Nomads ("Y" ground, 4.15 p.m.). Benwell, (Capt.); Jordan and Yoffert; Kempton, Pennington and Waldron; Smith, Gemmell, Taylor, Cofer and Bates.

2nd XI v. H.K.S.R.A. ("Y" ground, 3 p.m.). Cleggitt; Killen and Grant; Smits, Tomlinson and Broch; Mackenzie, Dornier, Wakefield, Greenberg and Coombe.

There will be no match on Thursday as the ground has been loaned to Recrelo for a match with Macao.

TODAY'S MATCH

A special hockey match has been arranged with the Rajputana Rifles for today on the "Y" ground, at 5.15 p.m., and the following will represent the Y.M.C.A.:

1st XI v. Rajputana Rifles ("Y" ground, 5.15 p.m.). Benwell (Capt.); Jordan and A.N. Other; Wakefield, McLellan and Colledge; Cofer, Gemmell, Bartlett, Pennington and Bates.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BOXING.—Hongkong Area Inter-Unit Novice Boxing Finals (Royal Scots v. Middlesex Regt.) Murray Barracks, 8.30 p.m.

FOOTBALL.—Senior Shield, Second Round, Police v. Middlesex (Boundary Street), 4 p.m.; Second Division B, University v. Police (Boundary St.), 2.30 p.m.

RIFLE SHOOTING.—Weekly Sports and Practice Shoot (Kowloon City Range) 1.45 p.m.

TO-MORROW

CHESS.—Colony's Championship: A. Y. Birkhoff v. B. S. Litvin; V. V. Kolachoff v. D. E. de Carvahio; Sir H. Follock v. L. Blair; K. M. A. Barnett v. K. Wicks; A. Kurik v. E. Zimmer.

FOOTBALL.—Interport Match: Hongkong v. Saigon (Caroline Hill), 3.30 p.m.

HOCKEY.—Club de Recrelo v. Macao Seniors (Club ground) 4 p.m.; Hongkong University v. Macao Juniors (Club ground) 2.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEB. 9

FOOTBALL.—Interport Match: Hongkong v. Saigon (Caroline Hill), 3.30 p.m.



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"CAPTURED" AT ORIENTAL
Warner Brothers' super-production "Captured!" will be shown at the Oriental Theatre on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday for the first time in Hongkong at popular prices. The cast is headed by

Douglas Fairbanks Jr., Margaret Lindsay, Leslie Howard and Paul Lukas in the leading roles. "Captured!" does not alone hold you with its love plot. There are the awe-inspiring spectacles which hold you spell-bound through the scenes in which thousands of officers and men of the allied armies are held as pri-

soners of war in a German prison camp. These scenes have been created with vivid, yet artistic, realism, but only serve as a background for the love-plot. It is in this part that Paul Lukas as Commander Erlich does his best work yet seen on the screen.

COMING EVENTS

FEB.
7-Tides: High 10.06 a.m. and 9.04 p.m. Low 1.14 a.m. and 2.14 p.m. Sunrise: 7.01 a.m.; Sunset: 6.14 p.m. Chinese New Year's Eve.
Lawn Bowls: H.E. to entertain Prison Officers' Mess team, 3.15 p.m.
Kowloon Cricket Club Dance.
Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Gala Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Gramophone Recital by Mr. A. Galloway, 8 p.m.
Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild, 10 a.m.; Committee of Management, 6 p.m.
Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
H.K.R.A. Shoot.
Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.
Exhibition of Chinese Products. Catholic Cathedral, "The Way of the Cross," 5.30 p.m.
Garrison Sergts. Mess. Whist Drive, 9.15 p.m.
Boxing Finals, Murray Barracks, 8.30 p.m.
8-Tides: High 10.31 a.m. and 9.33 p.m. Low 3.44 a.m. and 2.35 p.m. Sunrise: 7.01 a.m.; Sunset: 6.14 p.m. Chinese New Year.
Bank Holiday.
Chess Championships Continued.
Y.M.C.A. First A Lecture 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal 8.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Wedding, Moss-Tonge, 3 p.m.
Cheero Club, Lessons in Contract Bridge.
Lawn Bowls: Attaboy Shield, Kowloon Bowling Green, 10.30 a.m.
St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 2.30 p.m.
Exhibition of Chinese Products.
9-Tides: High 11 a.m. and 10.10 p.m. Low 4.15 a.m. and 3.38 p.m. Sunrise: 7.01 a.m.; Sunset: 6.14 p.m. Bank Holiday.
Charity Softball in aid of B.W.O.P. (Kowloon F.C.).
Soccer: Hongkong v. Saigon, Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Badminton, 6.30 p.m.
Cheero Club, Table Tennis and Billiards.
Royal Scots, Corporals' Dance, Hotel Cecil.
Exhibition of Dwarf Pot Plants, Kowloon Tong School, 9 a.m.—5 p.m.
10-Tides: High 11.25 a.m. and 10.40 p.m. Low 4.45 a.m. and 4.15 p.m. Sunrise: 7.00 a.m.; Sunset: 6.15 p.m. Entries Close for Trinity College of Music, Theoretical Examination.
Soccer: Eastern A.A. v. Saigon, Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.
H.K. University Union—Charity Fandel Dance, St. Stephen's Hall, 8 p.m.
Cottage Club—Paper Hunt, 3.30 p.m.
H.K. Golf Club: Semi-finals of Stubbs Shield due for completion. Meeting of Creditors of H.K. Dairy Supply Co., Ltd., 6, Des Voeux Rd., 11 a.m.
Soccer: Combined Chinese v. United Services, Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.
Exhibition of Dwarf Pot Plants, Kowloon Tong School, 9 a.m.—5 p.m.
11—Claims against estate of Ronald Oliver Rutherford due.
Fandling Hunt and Race Club Meeting at Kwant.
Final of H.K. Golf Club Captain's Cup (1939) due for completion.
Softball League.
Soccer: S.C.A.A. v. Saigon, Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.
Interport football dinner, Hotel Cecil, 8 p.m.
Exhibition of Dwarf Pot Plants, Kowloon Tong School, 9 a.m.—5 p.m.
12—Crown Land Sale, 3 p.m.
14—Charity Football Match, Y.M.C.A. Badminton Tournament, 10 a.m.
Peninsula Hotel, Valentine Dance by H.K. Chinese Women's Club, 8.30 p.m.

"Juarez" At The King's

The King's Theatre announces that, in line with its policy of securing the highest calibre film entertainment, it will present, starting today, the magnificent historical saga "Juarez," a motion picture which has been awaited with the greatest anticipatory interest ever since—in 1937—Warner Bros. announced plans for its production. Plans are under way for a brilliant premiere which will be attended by an impressive gathering of prominent local people.

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12.40 De Groot and His Orchestra.

Waldteufel Memories (arr. Pinck). La Paloma (Yradier); Destiny (Maynes). "Louise" — Selection (Charpentier). Other Days (Selection of Popular Melodies — arr. Pinck).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 A Mozart Song.

Sold Me, Sold Me, Oh Dear Ma-setto ("Don Giovanni") — Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Orch.

1.06 Mozart—Symphony in D Major (The "Tragic").

Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Erich Kleiber.

1.30 Reuters and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Musical Comedy Selections.

Musical Comedy Marches — Intro: Riff Song (Desert Song); The Horns (Rose-Marie); Song of the Drum (from same); The Three Musketeers (from same); Tokay (Bitter Sweet); The Robbers' March (Chu Chin Chow); Love's Sentry (Madame Pompadour); Goodbye (The White Horse Inn) — Light Opera Company with Orchestra. "Home and Beauty" — Selection — Adelphi Theatre Orchestra cond. by Francis Collins. "Lady Luck" — Vocal Gems (Hedley, Strachey and Rodgers) — Light Opera Company with Orchestra. "The Gold Diggers of Broadway" (Burke) — Regal Cinema Orchestra with Quentin Maclean (Organ).

2.15 Close down.

6.00 An hour of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Smoke From A Chimney; Moonlight on the Highway—Roy Smeek and His Hawaiian Serenaders. Slow Fox-Trot — Melody in Brown; Fox-Trot — Mama, I Wanna Make Rhythm (film "Manhattan Music Box" — Ray Ventura and His Collegians. Waltz — The Moon of Manakora Vagabondo—Mario De Pietro and His Studiandina. Fox-Trots—Once In A While; Little Drummer Boy—Jay Wilbur and His Band. Slow Fox-Trot—Still Love To Kiss You Goodnight (all m'2nd Street); Waltz—Dance The Moonlight Waltz with Me—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orch. Tangles — Hear My Song, Violeta; Jealousy—Robert Renard Dance Orchestra. Fox-Trots — Rockless Night On Board an Ocean Liner; The Popcorn Man—Ray Ventura and His Collegians. Waltz—Tis Better to Have

Loved and Lost; Fox-Trot—I'll Never Let You Cry (film "In Old Chicago") — Billy Thorburn and His Music. Tangos — Pura Milonga; Mal De Ausencia—Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Fox-Trot—Where The World Ends—Eugen Wolf and His Orchestra.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Light Variety.

Orch.—"The Little Dog Laughed"—Selection—The London Palladium Orchestra. Comedians — Blacking Out the Flat (Askey and Murdoch). Orch.—"Black Velvet" Medley—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra. Military Band—Country Life Suite (Alford)—The Band of H.M. Royal Marines. Plymouth Division. Orch.—"All Clear" Medley—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—All-in "Bee"—5: Services v. Civilians.

8.30 Two Piano Recital by Hawkes and Landauer.

Nola (Arndt). "The Street Singer" — Film Selection.

8.40 New Dance Music.

Slow Fox-Trot—Blue Orchids; Fox-Trot—Day In—Day Out—Jack Hylton

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SHORT WAVE

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Transmission I—News Summary

Full Bulletin 4.00 p.m.

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Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.

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do. 9.15 p.m.

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Transmission V—News Summary

Full Bulletin 7.30 a.m.

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(All Hongkong Time)

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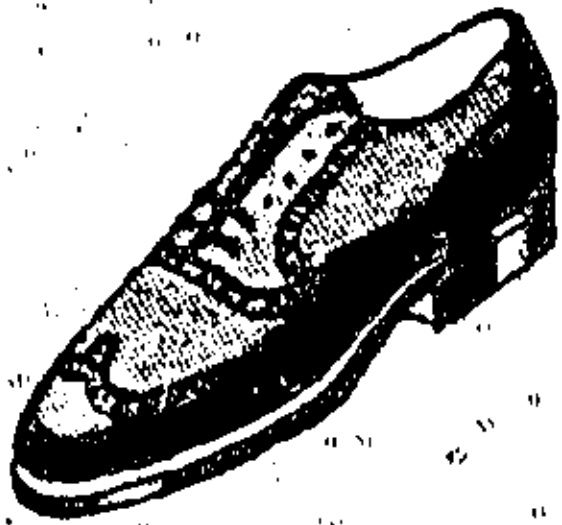
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H.K. Volunteer Defence Corps Officer Charged: Sequel To Boy's Death

LIEUT. THOMAS PARKINSON, 51, Quartermaster of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, appeared at Central Court before Mr. R. Edwards yesterday on a charge of unlawfully killing Wong Chiu-lan, a nine-year-old boy, while driving his car along Bonham Road on December 23.

Parkinson, who appeared in Court attired in military uniform, is represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellet. Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, is conducting the case for the prosecution.

Evidence was given by Wong Shi, grand-mother of the deceased, who said the boy seldom went out and was normally very careful when walking in the streets. Before crossing a street, he would look both ways for passing cars.

The next witness called, Dr. Ling Ke Dieh, of the Queen Mary Hospital, said he saw defendant on December 23 at the Hospital at 5.30 p.m. Parkinson had three injuries on his head—a scalp wound, a cut on the right side of the chin and a swelling over the left side of the forehead.

There was blood on his face, coat and trousers, and he smelt of alcohol.

In answer to a question by Mr. Williams, witness said further that Parkinson did not smell strongly of alcohol, but he had smelt the alcohol during the examination. Parkinson's speech was distinct but quite abrupt.

SHORT ANSWERS

"I asked what had happened," continued witness, "but Parkinson would not give me any particulars. Maybe he would not or could not tell. I put various questions to him and he gave me very short answers." He responded to the examination quite readily.

Lee Kai-sun, a clerk, of No. 14, Bonham Road, was the next witness called. He said that at about 4 p.m. on December 23, he heard a noise as of a collision and ran out into the street. He saw a car on the footpath, and near it an injured child, leaning against a wall.

He saw a European with blood on his face, and also a Chinese with blood on his coat. He had spoken to the European in English but received no reply. He then entered the house and telephoned No. 8, Police Station.

Further hearing was adjourned to the afternoon of Monday, February 12.

Compliment To H.K. University

THREE GRADUATES TO SERVE ON COURT

Under the recently revised Constitution of the University (1937 Revision) registered graduates of Hongkong University in Hongkong, Singapore & Shanghai, will have the privilege of nominating three registered graduates to serve as members of the Court of the University.

LIST BEING COMPILED

Steps are being taken by the University authorities, in consultation with Hongkong University Alumni Associations at various centres, to compile a list of Registered Graduates with a view of implementing the provisions of the statute on the subject.

This development represents a high compliment to Hongkong University graduates and a notable step on the part of the University authorities to encourage and retain the interest of Hongkong University Graduates in their Alma Mater.

It is for graduates to respond wholeheartedly and send their best men to serve as members of the University Court.

INDEFINITE STAY IN HONGKONG

SOVIET STEAMER SELENGA

The Soviet steamer, Selenga, which was brought into Hongkong recently by a naval unit in connection with the search for war contraband, is likely to remain here for an indefinite stay.

NAVAL STATEMENT

The naval authorities informed the Hongkong Daily Press yesterday that the matter was out of their hands.

"We acted as the policemen to bring the ship in," said the naval spokesman, "but we could not sit as the magistrate to judge the case."

The Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, when interviewed on the matter, stated that it was also out of the hands of the Hongkong Government.

LONDON TO DECIDE

The matter is being decided in London, he said, and so far it is not known when the ship will be released.

The Colonial Secretary declined to make any statement regarding the nature of the contraband which the Selenga was understood to be carrying when she was stopped by the Royal Navy.

STREET BOYS REWARDED BY MAGISTRATE

Man Who Found \$130 In Envelope

Rewards of \$2 each from the Poor Box awarded by Mr. E. Hims, J.P., at Kowloon Court yesterday to four Chinese youths who, on Monday, assisted the police in the arrest of a man, named Wong Chiu-hong, 18, who was charged with unlawfully appropriating to his own use \$130 he found in an envelope near the Star Ferry.

Ho Ying, 39, married woman, mother of Wong, was charged with receiving the money.

Sgt. Mackenzie, prosecuting, said that about 11.30 a.m. on Monday, a shirt of the China Light and Power Co. dropped an envelope containing \$130. Wong picked up the envelope, opened it, and found the money.

OFFERED \$15

He, at once ran home but, was observed by several street boys, one of whom followed him to No. 86, Canton Road, where he gave the money to his mother. Later, Wong came out of the house and offered to pay this boy \$15 if he would keep quiet about the matter.

The boy refused, and reported the matter to the police. Wong was arrested. Fifty dollars were found in his possession, and another \$60 in his mother's possession.

Wong was bound over by the Magistrate on a sum of \$50, while Ho was fined \$30, in default, one month's hard labour.

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93 Traffic Accidents In A Week

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, February 3, there were altogether 93 traffic accidents as the result of which 2 persons were killed and 41 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, a Chinese male (bicycle rider) age 18, died from injuries received as a result of a collision between his bicycle and a bus, a British soldier, age 24, died from injuries received when a then carrier, on which he was a passenger, ran off the roadway.

Of persons injured, 31 were pedestrians, who were either crossing the carriageway or playing games in the roadway and were struck by vehicles.

COLLISIONS

Three bicycles riders were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles.

A bus passenger was injured on falling off a moving bus.

A then carrier driver and a private car driver were injured when their vehicles ran off the roadway.

One bus passenger and three train passengers were injured while alighting from a moving bus and moving trains respectively.

Of 93 accidents, 40 were collisions between vehicles; 36 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 17 accidents were due to other causes.

SOUTH AFRICAN CHARGED

Ivo Noel, 27, a South African, was remanded for 24 hours yesterday when he appeared at Central Court before Mr. E. G. Sheldon on a charge of aiding and abetting in the larceny of a woollen pullover, a shirt and a towel from the Indian Married Quarters in Jaffe Road on February 5.

Noel told the Magistrate he had money and was receiving 100 rupees from his brother in Calcutta. Tam Chuen, 22, who was charged with the larceny was similarly remanded 24 hours.

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HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS & VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE (opposite the lower Peak Tram Station) on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1940, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and Wednesday, the 6th March, 1940, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's office, Stock Exchange Building, Ice House Street, at NOON ON THURSDAY, the 22nd February, 1940, but intending exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as early as possible.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscriptions and ALL THOSE who wish to join the Society are requested to send \$5.00 to the undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd Feb. 1940.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 25th Jan., 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 12th day of Feb., 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Chuk Un, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2763.	As per plan.	About 30,000	\$100	\$2,000

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "TANDA"

Owing to a fire on board this vessel whilst en route from Melbourne to Newcastle a General Average has been declared. Consignees of all cargo loaded at Melbourne are hereby notified that a General Average Deposit of 5% is payable and the General Average Bond and Valuation Forms must be completed and signed before their cargo can be released.

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Hong Kong, 6th Feb., 1940.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on THURSDAY & FRIDAY, the 8th & 9th February, 1940, (China New Year Holidays.)

Hong Kong, 5th Feb. 1940.

Reich Does Not Mean To Attack Sweden

Special to the H.K. Daily Press
PARIS, Feb. 6 (Havas)—Germany's diplomatic pressure against Sweden is seen by Madame Tabouis, writing in L'Oeuvre, who points out that this pressure was actually supported by German troop concentrations on the Reich's Baltic shores opposite to Sweden.

Nevertheless, she says that the Reich does not mean actually to attack Sweden no more than she means to attack Rumania, since operations against these countries entails the most serious risks.

119 DEATHS: 75 FROM T.B.: 15 FROM SMALL-POX

Of 119 deaths which occurred in the Colony during the week ended Feb. 3, 75 were from tuberculosis, and 15 from small-pox, according to returns furnished by the Health Department. During the week, 122 cases of tuberculosis and 21 cases of small-pox were notified to the Department.

OTHER RETURNS
Other returns include 10 deaths from cerebro-spinal fever (13 notified), 7 deaths from enteric fever (6 notified), 8 deaths from diphtheria (14 notified), 5 deaths from diphtheria (9 notified) and one death from chicken-pox (10 notified).

Thirty cases of tuberculosis (one imported), six cases of small-pox, four cases of diphtheria, three cases of chicken-pox and one case each of diphtheria, enteric fever and measles were notified on Feb. 5.

Cottage Club Paper-Hunt

The Cottage Club Paper-hunt to be held on Saturday, Feb. 10, will start from the vicinity of Potts Bungalow at 3.30 p.m.

Riders are requested to gather at the Club House at 3 p.m. and motor-car transportation will be provided to the meet.

Club ponies will be sent to the start, while riders of privately-owned ponies are requested to make their own arrangements in this connection.

G. P. Charlton, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, was fined \$2 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at Central Court yesterday when summoned for parking his car overtime in Pedder Street on January 3. Admitting a summons for driving in a closed road, Ice House Street, on January 5, E. W. Perry, of the Naval Yard Police, was fined \$2.

MARRIAGE

JAN-BOBER.—On February 3, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church, 703 North Szechuen Road, Shanghai, Rose Jan to George Bober.

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HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 7, 1940

AMERICA'S BONDS OF INSULATION

AMERICAN EXPERIMENTS in insulation—from the Monroe Doctrine to the "safety band"—yield enlightening lessons. One of the first of these lessons is that such policies tend to favour, and to find most support among, European Powers whose outlook is most similar to the American outlook.

THE HISTORY of the Monroe Doctrine will illustrate the point. This is not really a policy of isolation. It commits the United States to broader policies. But it aims at continental insulation. To British statesmen of 1823 it may have been less satisfactory than a joint Anglo-American declaration toward the same ends would have been. Nevertheless the Monroe Doctrine fitted well in the pattern of British interest in the newly emancipated New World. The British design did not include acquisition of New World territories but rather development of trade.

BRITAIN'S INTEREST therefore was served by an American policy which would prevent other European nations from imposing their rule in the New World. Today well-informed Americans recognize that the ease with which the United States has maintained the Monroe Doctrine is due in no small measure to the benevolent attitude of Europe's strongest naval power toward that Doctrine.

A CONNECTION—though of a different sort—likewise exists between United States neutrality legislation and Allied interests. This legislation was intended to insulate the United States from the war in Europe. While doing this it yet operates to the advantage of those Powers controlling the ocean. And it does so through the very provisions—cash-and-carry—which are intended as the main feature of insulation. The fact illustrates how the United States remains likely to find the policies it adopts to protect its own interests tending to harmonize with those of the two great democratic sea powers.

THIS SITUATION arises less from sentiment, it should be noted, than from geographical factors and the widespread character of American interests. It may be objected that the cash-and-carry provisions may also operate to favour Japanese policies in China. But these run counter to United States interests. Therefore steps like the State Department's "moral embargo" against gasoline-producing equipment for Japan are likely to increase.

THE MOST RECENT TEST of the sympathy of Britain and France toward current American efforts to insulate the New World against the troubles of the Old has arisen out of the Panama Conference's announcement of a "safety band" around the American continents. For the Allies the main question about this zone seems to be whether the Americas can enforce their ruling in it.

THE CHARACTER of the naval warfare between the Allies and Germany is such that if Germany would honour the "safety band," the Allies

BRILLIANT PREMIERE OF JUAREZ

FIRST OF TWO CHARITY PERFORMANCES

A large number of Hongkong residents, including the Colony's most prominent personalities, attended the gala premiere and the first of two charity performances of Juarez, starring Paul Muni and Bette Davis, in aid of the International Peace Hospitals, at the King's Theatre last night.

The second performance will take place tomorrow, Chinese New Year's Day, at 11 a.m. The film was preceded by an account of the hospital scheme by the Right Rev. Ronald Hall, Bishop of Hongkong, and Miss Rosamund Kung, daughter of Dr. H. H. Kung, Vice-Chairman of the Executive Yuan and Finance Minister, who told of its first year of service to the wounded and sick, and the great work of Dr. Norman Bethune, a Canadian and its first chief, who died in Shanghai last November.

The present head of Dr. Bethune's Wundtshian Hospital is Dr. Frederic Kisch, a Czech.

The whole scheme, comprising four hospitals, is sponsored by the China Defence League.

Among those present at the brilliant premiere last night were His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote, Madame Sun Yat-sen, H.E. Admiral Sir Percy and Lady Noble, H.E. Major-General A.E. and Mrs. Grassett, Mr. T. V. Soong, Dr. C. T. Wang, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Hon. Dr. P. S. and Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke, Mr. D. J. Sloss and many others.

SUB-STRATOSPHERE MAIL FLIGHTS

NEW YORK, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Plans for the inauguration of sub-stratosphere mail flights from about May 1, were discussed yesterday by 150 P. W. A. Traffic and Operations men. It is expected that one flight each way daily will be maintained at the beginning.

Six four motor Boeing stratosphere planes with sealed cabins and super charged engines will maintain the service, flying at 20,000 feet. West coast terminals will be San Francisco and Los Angeles.

PRESIDENCY OF U.S. "F.D.R." IS SHY OF QUESTIONS

HYDE PARK, NEW YORK, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt yesterday flatly and definitely stated that any announcement regarding his third term plans for the Presidency would be made at a time chosen by himself.

He added that he was shy of questions on the subject.

Entering the residence of Mr. T. S. Morrison, at No. 449, The Peak, early on Sunday morning, thieves stole clothing, jewellery, etc. to the value of \$1,050. A report of the theft was made to the police about 3 a.m. the same day, and Sub-Inspector C. Baysting, who proceeded to the scene, succeeded in recovering all the property on the hillside near the house.

could much more easily do so. If the reasonable rules that apply to neutral harbours could be enforced in the "safety band" then it is doubtful indeed that Allied violations would occur.

THEREFORE even in an essay which extends beyond any previous concept of international law, and in which other interested parties have not acquiesced, the Americas can expect readiest co-operation from nations whose policies have long accepted the Monroe Doctrine as a fixture in international relations. Three major experiments in American insulation have crossed wires with the policies of European democracies. And to date no serious short circuits have occurred.—Christian Science Monitor.

British Ministers' Speeches: There Can Be No Issue Short Of Victory Or Defeat

LONDON, FEB. 5 (REUTER)—MOST OF THE BRITISH PRESS ACCLAIMS THE WEEK-END SPEECHES BY MR. OLIVER STANLEY, MR. ANTHONY EDEN AND MAJOR C. R. ATTLEE.

The Manchester Guardian, for instance, writes that the case against premature and unconditional peace negotiations could not have been more tersely and effectively put than it was by Mr. Oliver Stanley.

The Daily Telegraph warns against agencies that are at work trying to enfeeble the nation's purpose by suggestions that an easy option to the persecution of the war is available.

"WE MUST GO ON"
Mr. Oliver Stanley was right in emphasizing that in this struggle there can be no issue short of victory or defeat, the paper continues. We must go on or go down and with us stands, or falls, civilisation.

GERMAN LIES
The Daily Herald says that Major Attlee's speech has shown the way to disprove German lies that Britain is fighting an imperialist war. That way is by renouncing all claims to special rights in Colonial territories by declaring

Britain's preparedness to bring everyone of the Colonies under a mandatory system and by pushing forward the self-government system whenever practicable.

"Our deeds will then speak louder than Dr. Goebbels' words and our sincerity will bring ever-increasing sympathy from neutral nations, the paper concludes.

BROADCASTS BY MINISTERS

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, broadcast at 7.30 p.m. (Greenwich Time) today, on the Empire Wavelength.

The War Secretary, Mr. Oliver Stanley, will broadcast tomorrow at 3 p.m. (G.M.T.).

SEVERAL JAPANESE UNITS ENCIRCLED IN PINYANG: CHINESE CONTROL HIGHWAY

LIUZHOU, Feb. 6 (Central)—Several Japanese units are encircled by the Chinese south-west of Pinyang, northern terminus of the Nanning-Pinyang highway.

Remnant Japanese troops at Kantonghu have been "mopped up." A thousand Japanese rifles were captured in the engagement leading to the recapture of the town.

The highway between Pinyang and Paiting, which is situated 30 miles north-east of Nanning and 25 miles south-west of Pinyang, is still under Chinese control.

PRECARIOUS POSITION
After the Chinese recapture of Wingham, about 50 miles east of Nanning, down the Waikong River, the Japanese troops at Lingliu between Nanning and Wingham, have been thrown into a precarious position. They made several attempts to break through the Chinese cordon but were hurled back each time.

Chinese activity behind Japanese lines is unrelaxed. Considerable losses have been inflicted upon the Japanese along the Nanning-Yamchow highway. Owing to inclement weather, Japanese planes have been inactive on the south Kwangsi front.

ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT
CHUNGKING, Feb. 6 (Central)—A four-hour engagement took place between Chinese volunteers and Japanese troops at Yingling, a height of the Changpei Mountain Range in Kirin, on Feb. 1. The Japanese were surrounded and beaten. About 100 Japanese rifles were seized.

JAPAN'S PLAN TO GET FULL CONTROL OF CHINA'S CURRENCY

TOKYO, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Simultaneous with its birth, the Wang Ching-wei regime planned the establishment of a new Central Bank and a new currency with a view to unifying the currencies within its control, declared the Finance Minister, Mr. Yukio Sakurachi, in the Lower House. The bank, however, will not absorb the Federal Reserve Bank.

EGYPT-SOVIET RELATIONS

CAIRO, Feb. 6 (Havas)—The present circumstances render it impossible to enforce the Government's decision of Aug. 21, 1939, to recognize the Soviet State, the Egyptian Premier, Aly Maher Pasha, declared in the Lower Chamber yesterday.

The Premier recalled that the decision was taken with a view to regularize trade relations with the U.S.S.R.

EUROPEAN VICTIMS
KUNMING, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Besides Madame Davlet and her child, who were killed in the bombing of the Yunnan Railway by the Japanese last week, other French Europeans killed were M. and Mme. Alfred and son M. Alfred was also connected with the railway.

SITUATION IN BALKANS UNCHANGED

DISAPPOINTMENT IN BULGARIA

SOFIA, Feb. 6 (Havas)—Official circles are showing disappointment over the results of the Belgrade Conference.

"The situation in the Balkans remains what it was and even more so," the semi-official Slovo declared, adding that "nevertheless it can be hoped that most important parleys took place in the lobbies of the Conference and were not reflected in the final statement."

NAZI PRESSURE

BERNE, Feb. 6 (Havas)—"If Rumania does not cede anything it clearly means that the danger threatening her is not either great or imminent, the Bernerwart declares, in commenting on the Belgrade Conference.

"Apparently something of which nothing is yet known took place and gave Bucharest increased confidence. It is possible that Germany might have promised Bucharest to intervene in Moscow against the Rumanian promise to increase the delivery of raw materials to the Reich."

TURKEY'S POLICY OF MEDIATION IN BALKANS

PARIS, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—When Bey Sarajoglu passes through Sofia enroute to Ankara from Belgrade, he will have an interview with the Bulgarian Premier, the main object of which, according to a message from Istanbul, is his hope of carrying a step further Turkey's policy of mediation between Bulgaria and the other Balkan states.

MINISTERS LEAVE

BELGRADE, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—M. Metaxas, Greek Foreign Minister, and M. Sarajoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, left here yesterday evening by train for Nish, Serbia.

MEETING WITH KING BORIS

SOFIA, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—M. Sarajoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, is due here today from Nish, where he will continue the conversation he had with M. Kiossevanov when he was enroute to Belgrade.

It is also reported that King Boris will have luncheon with him at his country Palace and it is generally felt here that concrete developments is not far distant.

Bulgaria, though disappointed with the published results of the Belgrade conference, eagerly anticipates that M. Sarajoglu will bring a promise of Balkan Entente support for the satisfaction of Bulgaria's territorial claims through regional negotiation.

SWEDISH CARGOES TO BE DIVERTED: NAZI SEIZURES

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—A conference between the Swedish and Norwegian State Railway representatives, at Osterund, is reported to have agreed to diverting Swedish exports from the Baltic to Norwegian ports.

At the time when Germany first seized cargoes of pulp, certain Swedish producers took steps to ensure warehouse accommodation in Norwegian ports, with a view to such a diversion.

TRADE PLANS

Japan, Mr. Sakurachi continued, would like to supply the key industries in China with much as material as possible to promote China's export trade in the future. Japan, also desired that Chinese exports to Japan should increase as soon as possible, with a view to levelling the Sino-Japanese trade balance.

"It is essential that we extend assistance to China so that the foundation of the currency system will be firmly laid," he declared.

ASAMA MARU INCIDENT SAID TO BE "SOLVED"

Britain To Return Certain Number Of The Nazis

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Unofficial circles here state that Britain and Japan have "virtually agreed" on a solution of the Asama Maru case, by which a certain number of the captured Germans will be allowed to return to Japan.

BRITAIN AGREES TO GIVE UP NINE

TOKYO, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Actuated by a desire to reach an amicable settlement the British Government, in a Note on Feb. 5, agreed to surrender to Japan nine of the Asama Maru Germans at a date and place to be mutually agreed upon. Mr. Arita, Japanese Foreign Minister, informed the House of Peers.

He added that the Japanese Government is not satisfied with the partial surrender and will continue to demand the delivery of the other 12.

Signs Of Inflation In Germany Are Becoming More And More Evident

WESTERN FRONT

NAZI PATROL GETS WORST OF ENGAGEMENT

PARIS, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—A German reconnoitering patrol got the worst of it when it advanced towards the French lines east of Bille and made contact with the French advance posts.

HURRIED RETREAT
There was a brief engagement in which bombs and machine-guns were used before the Germans hurriedly retreated leaving two prisoners.

A War Communique issued yesterday stated that there was nothing to report.

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reception yesterday at which all parts of the Empire were represented.

A message of greeting from the New Zealand Premier was read which contained an assurance "that the Government and people of New Zealand are determined to take their full share in the British Commonwealth's fight for world freedom and the right of nations to make progress in peace. Although far from the Motherland this outpost Dominion is close to her in unwavering loyalty to the Throne and effective comradeship with their Majesty's people."

New Zealand's determination to play her full part in the present war and the immense contribution she made in the last war, in which 128,525 of her then population of one million served in the Forces were referred to by Major-General Sir Mark Sykes and other speakers.

The New Zealand High Commissioner in London, Mr. Jordan, after recalling that a 100 years ago New Zealand was practically all forest and swamp, dwell on its rapid development and progress and on the growth, not only of its European, but of its native Maori population. All, he added, were

INTERNATIONAL INCIDENT?

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—A protest against the confinement of 512 sailors from the scuttled German liner Columbus on an island in the Bay, has been voiced by the German Consulate here.

The German Vice-Consul denounced the action of the United States Emigration Department in cancelling shore leave for the crew of the Columbus and has forwarded an official report to the German Embassy.

This may develop into an international incident if the German Embassy sends a formal protest to the Department of State.

ILLEGAL ENTRY
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Officials stated yesterday that no leave could be given to members of the crew of the Columbus (now detained in Angel Island, San Francisco) as they illegally entered the United States.

NEUTRALITY OF BELGIUM

FLEMISH LEADER ALIGNS HIMSELF WITH GOVERNMENT

BRUSSELS, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—A speech last night by M. Camille, President of the Chamber and leader of the Flemish Right Party, in which he aligned himself with the government on neutrality, has aroused considerable interest in political circles.

NOT FORCED
He rebuked certain Flemish Nationalists, who he said, believed that the test of neutrality was solely respect for Belgium's frontiers and added "our neutrality is freely undertaken, not forced upon us."

"If Southern Holland were invaded, we should be in a position to revise our viewpoint."

"What guarantees for the maintenance of our independence could we possibly have if Holland is attacked? We must beware of adopting a passive attitude."

10,000-TON C.P. LINER TORPEDOED IN ATLANTIC

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—It is understood that the Canadian Pacific liner Beaverburn, 10,000 tons, was torpedoed and sunk in the Atlantic.

The Beaverburn was built in 1927, by W. Denny & Bros. Ltd., for the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. and was specially strengthened for navigation in ice.

SHIP STRIKES MINE
LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—The 1,000-ton London steamer Portlet struck a mine and foundered in the North Sea yesterday. Two were killed by the explosion and nine survivors have been landed at an east coast port.

NAZI EXAGGERATION
LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Unofficial circles in London describe as grossly exaggerated the Nazi claims of sinkings of Allied and neutral shipping in air-raids off the English coast.

The German broadcast claims that 150,000 tons of allied and neutral shipping was sunk between January 21 and 31. Yesterday Zeesen Radio increased the figure to 200,000 tons.

The actual figures of allied and neutral losses between Jan. 21 and 28 is 29,000 tons. Figures of losses from Jan. 28 to Feb. 4 will be issued today or tomorrow.

CREW OF 70
It was later learned that the Beaverburn was sunk off the south-west coast yesterday. She was registered in London as a cargo liner and carries a crew of 70. It is believed some survivors were picked up by other ships.

Fritz Karin, 24, police constable 1758, was charged before Mr. Q.A.A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday with larceny of \$24.88 from the Hongkong Government on February 3. The case was remanded to February 10 when Mr. M. A. da Silva will appear for the defendant. Bail of \$150 was allowed.

Gandhi Maintains That Viceroy's Proposals Do Not Meet Demands Of Congress Party Fully

NEW DELHI, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Mr. Gandhi had a two-and-a-half-hour conversation with the Viceroy yesterday morning. The conversation has been awaited with expectancy, as it was arranged with a view to making a further effort to solve the constitutional problem and reach a settlement of Hindu-Muslim differences.

An agreed communique, which was issued following the conversation, said:

"In response to an invitation from His Excellency, Mr. Gandhi today came to see the Viceroy and a prolonged and very friendly discussion took place, during which the whole position was exhaustively examined."

MR. GANDHI'S POSITION
"Mr. Gandhi made it clear from the outset that he had no mandate from the Congress Working Committee, that he was not empowered to commit it in any way and could speak on behalf of himself only."

"His Excellency set out, in some detail, the intentions and proposals of His Majesty's Government. He emphasised, in the first place, their earnest desire that India should attain Dominion status at the earliest possible moment and to facilitate the achievement of that status by all the means in their power."

COMPLEX ISSUES
The Viceroy drew attention to the complexity and difficulty of certain issues that called for disposal in that connection, in particular the issue of defence in the Dominion position.

He made it clear that His Majesty's Government was only too willing to examine the whole field in consultation with representatives of all parties and interests in India when the time came. He also made clear the anxiety of His Majesty's Government to shorten the transitional period and bridge it as effectively as possible.

FEDERAL SCHEME
The Viceroy drew attention to the fact that the Federal Scheme Act, while at present in suspense, afforded the swiftest stepping-stone towards Dominion status and its adoption by consent of all concerned would facilitate the solution of many problems that had to be faced in that connection.

Vital Difference Between Congress Demand And Lord Linlithgow's Offer

BOMBAY, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Mr. Gandhi issued a statement on the conversation he had with the Viceroy, Lord Linlithgow, on Monday, in which he states that the vital difference between the Congress demand and the Viceroy's offer consists of the fact that the offer contemplates the final determination of India's destiny by the British Government, whereas, Congress contemplated just the contrary.

Mr. Gandhi's statement continued that the Congress position is that the test of real freedom consists of the people of India determining their own destiny without outside interference.

"I see no prospect of a peaceful and honourable settlement with England unless this vital difference is obliterated, and England decides on the right course, namely, accepting the position that the time has come when India must be allowed to determine her own constitution and status."

When this is done, Mr. Gandhi said, the questions of defence, minorities, the Princes and European interests will be automatically dissolved.

NOTIFIED
Mr. Gandhi emphasised that Congress demands were not modified as a result of yesterday's interview with the Viceroy and that the Congress Ministries would remain out of office until the main question was settled.

Mr. Gandhi added, "The Viceroy and I parted, friends. I am not disappointed that the negotiations failed. I am going to use that failure as I am sure of Viceroy. I am going to use it as a stepping stone to success."

Mr. Gandhi declared he was willing to return to New Delhi to resume discussions whenever Lord Linlithgow wished.

90-MINUTE TALK

NEW DELHI, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Following Mr. Gandhi's conversation with the Viceroy yesterday, Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the Muslim League, had a 90-minute talk with Lord Linlithgow this morning.

It is expected that an agreed statement on the interview will be issued later.

The Viceroy added that the offer he had made in November of an expansion of the Governor-General's Council remained open and His Majesty's Government was prepared to give immediate effect to it.

On the subject of consent by the parties affected, the Government was also prepared to reopen the Federal Scheme Order to expedite the achievement of Dominion status and to facilitate a settlement, after the war, of the issues to which it gave.

TALKS DEFERRED
Mr. Gandhi expressed appreciation of the spirit in which the proposals were made, but made it clear that, in his view, they did not at this stage meet the full demand of the Congress Party.

He suggested, and the Viceroy agreed, that in the circumstances, it would be preferable to defer, for the present, any further discussions with the object of finding a solution of the difficulties which have arisen.

COALITION PROPOSAL
NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuter)—Apart from the official communique issued last night, nothing more has been revealed about the talk between the Governor-General and Mr. Gandhi, yesterday.

Mr. Gandhi has already been in touch with Muslim opinion as a result of his conversation with Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of the Punjab.

Another prominent Muslim, Abul Kasem Fazlul Haq, Premier of Bengal, put forward the suggestion on Sunday that Coalition Cabinets be formed in the Provinces for the duration of the war. He considered this would pave the way for unity between Hindus and Muslims. There has yet been no reaction to this suggestion from Congress circles.

NAZI AID TO SOVIET DENIED

BERLIN, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Official circles scoff at the reports that Germany is sending arms and munitions to Soviet Russia. Such stories are unfounded nonsense, is the official comment.

Supreme War Council

GREATER EFFICACY IN CO-OPERATION BY ALLIES

PARIS, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—The fifth meeting of the Supreme War Council was held here yesterday.

The British delegation comprised Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Mr. Churchill, Sir Kingsley Wood and Mr. Oliver Stanley, who were accompanied by Sir Ronald Campbell, Sir Alexander Cadogan, Sir Dudley Pound and Sir Edmund Ironside.

Meetings were held in the morning and afternoon.

FULL AGREEMENT
A communique states that various questions were given particular consideration, with the object of ensuring a still greater efficacy in real Franco-British collaboration.

Questions of supply were given special attention, and complete agreement was reached on all points examined.

France was represented by M. Daladier, M. Camille, M. Guy la Chambre, and M. Derives, who were accompanied by M. Alexis Legers, General Gamelin, Gen. Darlan, Gen. Vuillemin and Gen. Decamp.



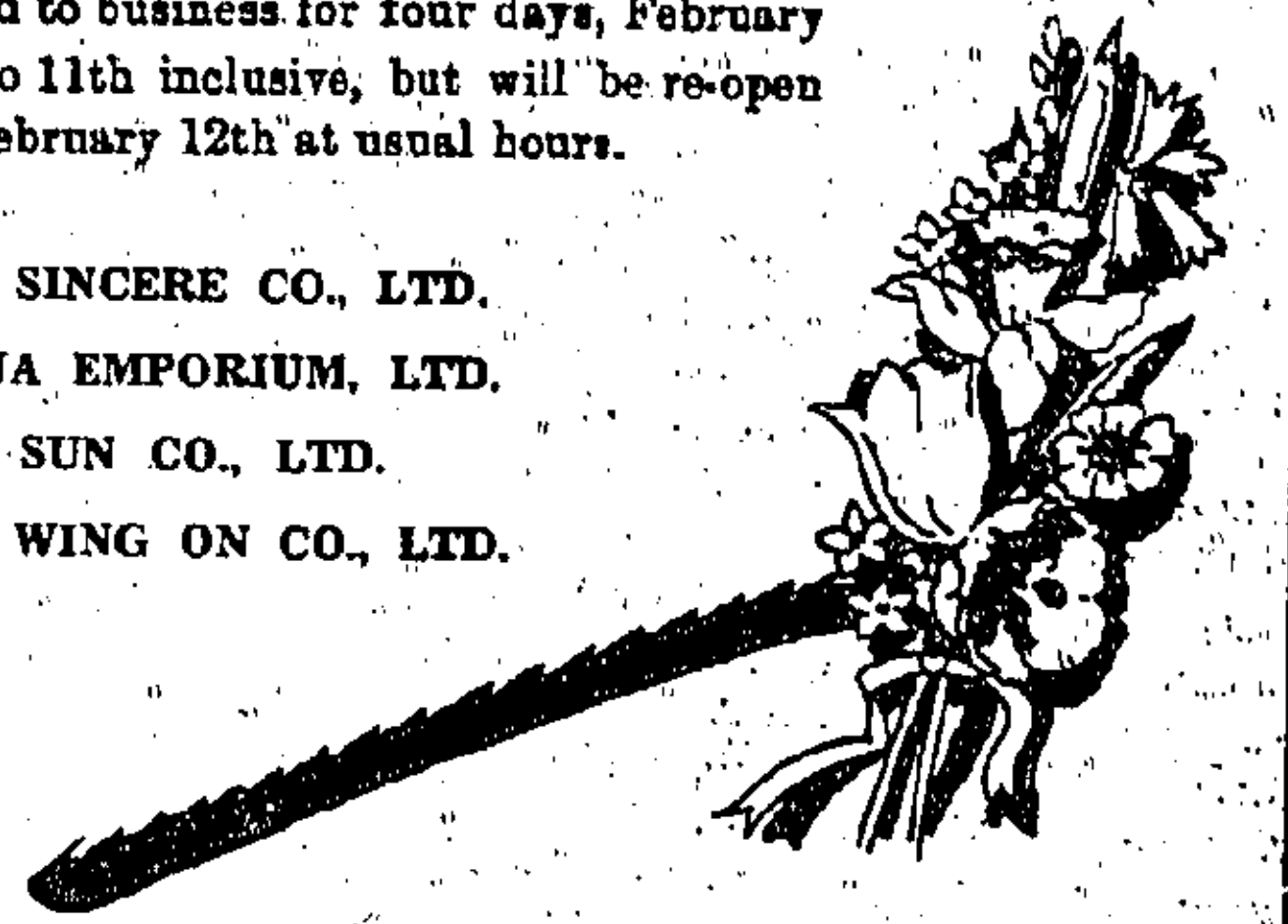
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POLICING OF OUTSIDE ROADS IN SHANGHAI

JOINT POLICE FORCE PLAN

SHANGHAI, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—No documents in connection with the outside roads issue will be signed by the Municipal Council and the Chinese authorities until the return of Mr. Franklin, who left for Dairen last Saturday, the China Press learns.

A CERTAINTY
While it is not yet known whether the Consular body has approved of the agreement, well-informed sources state that endorsement of the Consuls' is a certainty.

Settlement of the problem is said to be based on the joint police force. This separate body, to be headed by a Commissioner nominated by the Chinese Municipality, aided by a deputy appointed by the Settlement authorities, is to take over complete control of the outside roads area.

MANY DIFFICULTIES
In a leading article on the subject, the China Press says: "Although it is learned that both parties have agreed to the formation of a joint police force, there seem to be many difficulties which are not yet ironed out."

"The two major problems are the question of courts, on the one hand, and, on the other, the ticklish and unpleasant situation created by the existence of gambling houses, opium houses and smoking dens."

MORE DIFFICULT
The newspaper says that the

Anti - Nazi Disturbances In Poland

GERMANS ALLEGE ALLIED INFLUENCE

ZURICH, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Disturbances in the southern part of German-occupied Poland were reported by the Berlin correspondent of the Basler Nachrichten yesterday.

NAZI ALLEGATION
This correspondent adds that similar disturbances which occurred among Polish refugees in Vilna territory were ascribed in Germany to "secret Allied influence."

The newspaper Voelkischer Beobachter and other German newspapers give prominence to the incidents in Vilna with the object, it is believed in Berlin, of justifying a new series of oppressive measures in Poland.

AN EXCUSE
The severity of these measures is defended on the ground that Germany requires to ensure her security in the rear while she is at war with the Allies in the west.

position is made more difficult because the Chinese Municipality, in the past, not only approved of the vice dens, but even encouraged their growth with a view to increase the revenue."

"It may be taken for granted that the Municipal Council would not agree to a merely nominal role in controlling the area once it signs the agreement," the paper concludes.

Nothing Heard Of 80 Chinese Arrested By Japanese In Taian: Grave Fears Aroused

TSINGTAO, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Grave fears have been aroused in Taian regarding the fate of some eighty students who were arrested by the Japanese authorities in their recent purge of the Sulying School operated by the American Methodist Episcopal Mission in that city, according to reports reaching here.

Nothing, it is said, has been heard or seen of the students, who include a number of girls, since they were rounded up shortly after the New Year on charges of possessing papers connected with the Communist Eighth Route Army.

Padre Who Married Duke And Duchess Of Windsor Plans To Become An American Citizen

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 6 (Reuter)—Exiled because he married the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, the Reverend J. E. Jardine has completed plans for becoming an American citizen.

As soon as birth certificate and other papers arrive from England, he said, he wants to apply for his first papers. He indicated that this should be within two months.

He will make his home in Hollywood.

H.K. Rotarians Listen To Epic Story Of The Sea By Capt. N. J. Asquith

The story of the thrilling voyage of a little tug, the Henry Burton, from Durban, South Africa, to Shanghai was told in graphic detail to Hongkong Rotarians at their weekly luncheon meeting yesterday by Capt. N. J. Asquith, under whose command the little craft performed the long voyage, the hazards of which were greatly increased by the fact that she had to take five ships in tow the greater part of the trip, from Karachi to Shanghai.

DEATH OF MR. F.C. MASON-HURLEY

Former Resident Of Hongkong

Suffering a seizure while out walking near his home, Mr. Frederick Charles Mason-Hurley, proprietor of the Shawmigan Beach Hotel, formerly The Forest Inn, at Shawmigan Lake, Canada, died suddenly on January 1 at the age of 63 years.

Mr. Mason-Hurley was born at Buckhurst Hill, near London, and was educated in private schools there. He served through the Boer War and afterwards saw service in India. During the campaigns in which he was engaged he was decorated with three medals and seven clasp.

WAS IN HONGKONG

From India Mr. Mason-Hurley went to Hongkong, where he entered into partnership with the firm of Hughes and Hough, merchants, with whom he remained until 1921, when he retired to Victoria. After taking up residence at Shawmigan Lake, he became interested in resort management, and within a comparatively short period did much to popularize Shawmigan Lake as a summer resort.

Mr. Mason-Hurley is survived by his widow, at home; two sons, Denis, at home, and Patrick, in Boston, Mass. and one daughter, Isobel, at Shawmigan Lake. He was a member of the Masonic order in Hongkong.

FUNERAL OF MRS. M. L. VICTAL

The funeral of Mrs. Maria Lobo (Mrs) Victal, wife of Mr. Augusto Victal, who died at the Kowloon Hospital, took place yesterday at the Catholic Cemetery. The Rev. Fr. L. M. Rossi, of the Rosary Church, officiated.

Those present were Messrs. H. A. Soares, E. Antonio, E. L. Barros, N. B. Maher, C. Chan, G. Pinna, S. Pinna, L. Remedios, L. Costa, A. Ribeiro, F. X. Delgado, B. Basto, V. Bernardo, E. M. Silva and many others.

A wreath from the loving husband was interred with the casket. Wreaths were also sent by Mr. and Mrs. Antilope and family, Mrs. M. Ward and family, Mr. C. V. Carlos and family.

CHARGED WITH RECEIVING GOVT. DETONATORS

As he could not discriminate between two bad characters, Mr. T. J. Houston, at the Central Court yesterday, said he would release Lau Wai, 44, defendant on a charge of unlawfully receiving a box of detonators, property of the Government, and of possession of 100 detonators without a licence.

The evidence against defendant, Mr. Houston said, depended completely on one man, Tsang Shing, 55, who said he met defendant in a room in the Hotel, and in evidence admitted the room divan in question was being kept by him. Defendant had attempted to sell the detonators to him.

"Tsang is a bad character," Mr. Houston said, "and as I cannot discriminate between two bad characters, defendant is discharged."

B.W.O.F. LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS

The following names were in-adequately quoted from the list of subscriptions to the British War Organisation Fund published on Tuesday:

Miss M. L. Whitley (Monthly)	\$20
F. T. Harris	30
Portuguese Staff - Hongkong	50
Bank (Monthly)	50
S. A. Kent (Monthly)	10
E. Joffe (Monthly)	10

Before the chairman, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, called upon the speaker to deliver his address, he said a few words of welcome to Rotarian Dr. Li Shu-fan, who has just returned after a year of travel through Europe and America.

GREETINGS FROM ABROAD

Replying, Dr. Li said he was glad to be back amongst his old friends once again. He referred to "his visits to the Rotary Clubs of London, Boston, Los Angeles and San Francisco from where he brought greetings to Hongkong Rotarians."

Rotarian W. Yinson Lee, who has just returned from a month's visit to the Philippines, brought a flag from the Manila Rotary Club, which he formally presented to the chairman, who gave Mr. Lee a flag of the Hongkong Club to send to Manila.

THE ADDRESS

Capt. Asquith, veteran Yangtze pilot, then gave his address. He described Durban and told of the wonderful send-off his little craft received at that port where all the ships in harbour, and even the railways plying on the pier, sounded their sirens as the Henry Burton steamed out of port with hundreds of crackers, lighted by the Chinese crew, burst with a terrible din on the stern.

The dockyard surveyors too ran their cars along the breakwater sounding their horns as a farewell to the captain and his gallant crew.

HEAVY SEAS

The voyage to Mauritius took ten days and the sea was so heavy that much water was shipped and conditions were by no means pleasant. From Mauritius, the ship was ordered to Colombo which was reached 21 days later.

On the way they encountered a huge whale, almost as large as the vessel. It was asleep on the surface and the captain managed to take his craft within ten feet of the monster before it dived and was lost to sight.

On reaching Colombo he had to engage new firemen owing to illness among the men taken from Durban. The men proved to be unsuitable and he was glad, on getting to Karachi, to get a new lot.

FIVE IN TOW

At Karachi he had to take five vessels in tow to Shanghai. Each of these vessels was of 800 tons and the task too was no easy one. Eventually, however, they made Colombo again and proceeded to Sabang, Sumatra where he anchored in the roads for a few days before proceeding to Singapore where again he had to engage fresh crew.

On the voyage to Sabang the towing cables between the second and third ships snapped, but the ships were re-harnessed in a heavy sea at considerable risk.

From Singapore the "convoy" proceeded up the Indo-China coast and had to take shelter at Touranne to avoid a typhoon. They then made for Hongkong, whence they eventually headed to Shanghai to complete a truly epic journey, the success of which was due to superb seamanship and skill.

The vote of thanks to the speaker, was proposed by Rot. Dr. Black.

GUESTS AND VISITORS

Visiting Rotarian G. K. Fitch of Chungking and the following guests were among those present: Messrs. J. E. Horton, N. Bercoyitz, C. Cromwell, W. B. Hammonds, C. W. Yen, George Haynes, P. Williams, Kan Yuet Wan, Kan Yuet Fat, A. Job, Carmen, Capt. N. J. Asquith (speaker) and Gen. M. A. Cohen.

BAG SNATCHED FROM NURSING SISTER

Sentence of three months' hard labour was passed by Mr. E. Himsforth, at the Kowloon Court yesterday, on Wang Lan-sang, 38, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to the larceny of a handbag from Miss E. E. Pratt, a nursing sister of the Kowloon Hospital, by Peking Road on Monday evening.

Wang, who was chased and arrested by a police reservist Firdos Khan, will be recommended for banishment.

At the recent demonstration given by the Women's League of Health at the South China Athletic Stadium, a profit of \$978.72 was made. This sum went to the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives to aid them in their work in China.



Another picture of Mr. Sidney Fowler and his bride, formerly Miss Violet Bradbury, after their marriage at St. Andrew's Church on Saturday afternoon.

COOK FOUND GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

First Murder Trial Of The Year

Hui Fook-sing, ship's cook charged at the Criminal Sessions with the murder of Pun Yau-sze, a coolie, opposite the Douglas Wharf on the morning of October 30 last, was yesterday found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced by the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, to two years' hard labour.

It was alleged that Hui had stabbed Pun with a knife after a quarrel, causing the man's death. Hui pleaded that he had no reason for killing Pun. He said that Pun was one of a small crowd which tried to snatch bags of copper coins from him as he was leaving the wharf on the morning. He snatched the knife from Pun and accidentally in using the weapon to protect himself, cut the coolie.

His Lordship said that, his opinion, which he could then disclose, was the same as that arrived at by the jury, that accused was in fact, the victim and not the aggressor. But the fact remained that he had a very dangerous weapon and used it in a very dangerous way.

Mr. T. J. Gould, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, while Mr. H. W. Lee, instructed by Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, was for the defence. The jury was—Messrs. C. A. Foldenberg (foreman), Lam Ho-yin, Lee Chung-yew, China Peng-hong, J. Krogh-Moe, D. P. Fuertes and Paul Lee.

WOMAN COMMITTED

On a charge of the manslaughter of a three-year-old boy, Tsang Wing-kin, a married woman, Foo Yuet-ho, 32, was committed to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Det.—Insp. W. N. Darkin prosecuted.

PASSENGERS

Arrivals From North

Mr. Eric Moller, Sr., governing director of Mollers Ltd. of Shanghai was an arrival from the north by a Canadian liner yesterday. Another passenger from Shanghai by the same vessel was Mr. L. G. Coates, a director of the Yee Tsong Tobacco Distributors Ltd.

Capt. A. J. Holland, Marine Superintendent of the C.P.R., was an arrival from Vancouver, and among others who made the ocean crossing were Lt. Col. and Mrs. G. D. A. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Flight, and Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Ingram.

Passengers from Shanghai were Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Villington Scott, Mr. A. S. Hersey, Mr. A. L. Barwick, Mr. D. F. Buncie, Mr. J. V. Crowe, Mr. A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Aaga Corrit, and Mr. F. Marshall.

The following passengers arrived in the Colony yesterday: Mr. A. C. Connor, Mr. D. Griffin, Mr. T. S. McKenna, Mr. L. P. Starg, Mr. M. J. Netorg. The following passed through Hongkong in transit: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bishop and Master C. Bishop, Mr. E. H. Edols, Mr. H. S. Fitzroy, Mr. H. Schofield, Mr. J. Follet.

The forthcoming marriage is announced, of Mr. Joseph King-dan, Chapter, clerk, of No. 75, Hill Road, third floor, and Yeung Ho-pik, of No. 63, Hollywood Road.

EXHIBITION OF CHINESE PRODUCTS

The exhibition of Chinese Products was opened on Feb. 5 by Sir Robert Kotewall.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, paid a visit and wrote to the Chairman that he was gratified to observe the large number of exhibitors, and the great variety of exhibits as well as the excellent finish of the manufactured articles and the skill and taste with which they were displayed.

His Excellency hopes that year by year an exhibition on these lines will prove the steady growth of the Colony as a manufacturing centre.

Over-Valued Stock

JEWELLERY CLAIM ORDER

The case in which Victor de Dodwell, seller of jewellery, claimed \$632.35 from the Jubilee Silk Store, Nathan Road, as proceeds of sales of jewellery made by the defendants on his behalf and value of stock allegedly retained by the defendants, concluded yesterday at the Summary Court.

JUDGMENT FOR \$150

Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell gave judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$150, being value of the goods sold by the defendants, but did not allow the remainder of the claim, remarking that his view was that Dodwell had grossly over valued his stock.

Defendants were also given judgment on their counter-claim for \$105 for three months' rent of part of the shop. No order was made as to costs.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Ross was for the plaintiff, and Mr. M. A. da Silva for the defendants.

RADIO PROGRAMMES

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nad His Orchestra, Fox-Trots—The Washing on the Siegfried Line; I'm Sending you the Siegfried Line—Ambrose and His Orchestra, Waltz—There's Danger in The Waltz (from The Little dog laughed); Quickstep—My Man—Gerald and His Orchestra, Slow Fox-Trot—One Life—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra—The Song of the Metronome (from Second Fiddle)—Eddy Duchin and His Orchestra.

9.45 Eric Coates—"London Again" Suite.

The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Cross.

9.15 London Relay—The News, 8.30, Schubert—Symphony No. 4 in C Minor ("Tragic").

Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by John Barbirolli.

10.55 A Request Classical Programme.

Romeo and Juliet—Overture (Tchaikovsky)—William Mengelberg and His Concertgebouw Orchestra, Oh, Star of Eve ("Tannhauser")—Wagner, Eyes—Bravest Heart (Pierce)—Renée O'Brien (Vipin) with Piano accompaniment—Kamemol—Ostrow, Op. 10, No. 22 (Rubinstein)—New Light Symphony Orchestra and Organ, T. Backs—Ardito—Deanna Duchin (Vocal) with Choir—Blue Danube Waltz (Johann Strauss)—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra cond. by Leopold Stokowski, Tell Me Tonight (from the film)—Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra, Bryan Scenes Suite (Perry Fletcher)—London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Clifford Greenwood.

11.00 Close down.

Anonymous 14th Century Poem Subject Of A Paper

INTERESTING TALK BY MISS K. LAI

The anonymous 14th Century poem, "The Pearl," was chosen by Miss Katherine Lai, lecturer in English at the Hongkong University, as the subject of a paper which she read to the Hongkong Branch of the English Association at the Helena May Institute yesterday.

Although long, as a thorough criticism must be, the paper was interesting and full of valuable information and observations which reflect proper study and appreciation.

The poem, as it was pointed out during the subsequent discussion, is little known, and the hope was expressed that Miss Lai's paper might stimulate wider reading and better approach to the poem.

TROUBLOUS TIMES

After observing that the times when the poem was written were troubled and unsettled and not unlike the present day, and comparing the author with his contemporaries, Chaucer and Langland, the former of whom wrote less serious material and the latter devoted himself to work of a higher plane, Miss Lai said that the author, through "The Pearl," expressed in terms of art an experience which was not only permanent, but what happens to many people.

The theme was primarily religious. Part of the experience enshrined by the poem was the necessity to surrender the part to the larger part in order to develop the person completely. Through happenings in his own life, he was brought to that experience.

Whether or not the poet had a laughter whom he lost at the age of two, and whether that feeling was sublimated by the poet and led him to that self-surrender, was not known. As his theme was religious, it might be asked was he a priest?

INTENSE GRIEF

That was immaterial, said Miss Lai. Had the poet told everything, what the grave of his daughter looked like and what a garden she was buried in and

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8. TAKING THE BLAME
9. COBBED HOTEL
10. TREES

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St. John Ambulance New Territories

The St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch treated a total of 11,205 cases during January, comprising 7,444 old cases, 3,637 new cases and 124 maternity cases.

A total of 1,062 vaccinations were carried out.

What exactly went on in his mind at the time of his intense grief, the poem would not have appealed, would not have enshrined that emotion.

Miss Lai then analysed the poem in all its aspects, for its content, its style, its language and its meaning, and also compared it to the other poems in the same manuscript—the only one that has come down to this

RAISING FUNDS FOR REFEREES' ASSCN.

In order to raise funds for the Hongkong Referees' Association it was decided at a meeting of the Association held last night to hold a Whist Drive, police sanction being available, at the Hotel Cecil.

Friday, March 8, was provisionally fixed. It was also decided to organise a match between the Chinese and the United Services for the same purpose. The date provisionally fixed is March 13 and the referee will be R. M. Omar and the line-men the Rev. S. Hinchcliffe and C. E. Ford.

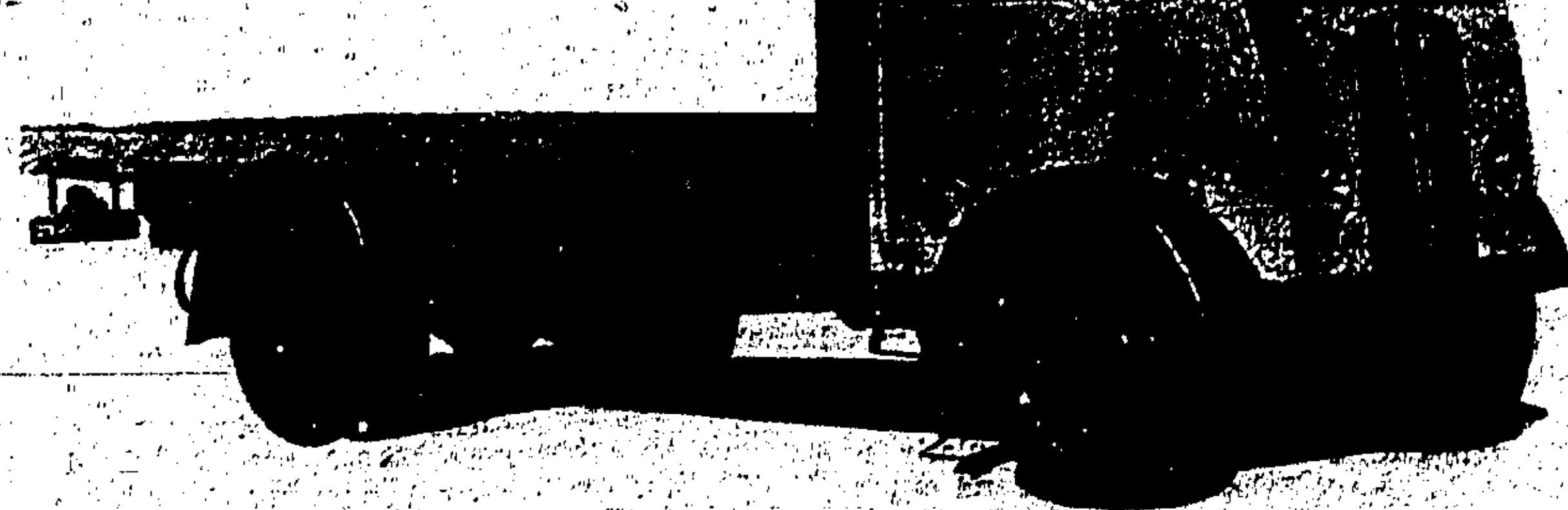
day—which appear to be of the same authorship, and discussed the author's development.

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BANKS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

FEBRUARY 6, 1940

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 13 18
Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 13 16
Credits 4 months sight 1/3 5/32

On Shanghai:—
On demand 32 3
On Singapore:—
On demand 52 1/2

On Japan:—
On demand 104

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 18 1/8
and demand 1/2 18 1/8

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 24 9/16
Credits, 60 days sight 25 3/16

On Batavia:—
On demand 45 3/4

On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 5
Credits 4 months sight 1/4 0

On Saigon:—
On demand 108 1/4

On Manila:—
On demand 49 1/8

On Bangkok:—
On demand 160 1/4

On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate 1/3 3/4
Bar Silver per oz. 21 3/4

Market Report

FROM KOZA BROS.

Silver prices dropped yesterday to the extent of 1/16 for Ready and 1/8 for Forward, the quotations being 21 3/4 and 21 5/8 respectively. Silver, however, reported the market as being quietly steady. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2 New York/London was quoted at 398 7/8.

Market

Steady but extremely dull.

Sterling

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/8 7/8 February/March, buyers at 1/2 20/32 Cash and 1/2 7/8 May.

U.S. Dollars

A small transaction was reported at 24 3/4 for Cash. There were sellers throughout the day at 24 1/16 February and 24 5/8 first half March, buyers at 24 3/4 February, probably Cash and 24 1/16 March.

Shanghai Dollars

At the opening there were sellers at 33 1/2 for Spot. Some business was reported at 33 1/2. Towards the close there were sellers at 33 1/2, buyers bidding 33 1/2.

Shanghai Market

During the early part of the morning sellers were quoted at 4 13/32 and 7 5/16 and towards the close at noon the market appeared to be a shade easier with sellers at 4 25/64 and 7 3/32.

AFTERNOON MARKET

Conditions in the afternoon were just as dull as in the morning.

Sterling

The market closed with sellers at 1/2 7/8 February/March, probably April, buyers at 1/2 20/32 Cash and 1/2 7/8 May.

U.S. Dollars

There were sellers at 24 1/16 February and 24 5/8 first half March, buyers at 24 3/4 February, probably Cash and 24 1/16 March.

Shanghai Dollars

The highest rate quoted in the afternoon was 33 1/2 for Spot and at the close there were sellers at 33 1/2 for Spot.

Shanghai Market

Sterling sellers were quoted at 24 25/64 for Spot at the opening in the afternoon and subsequently the rate receded to 4 25/64 and at the close there were sellers at 4 25/64 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Feb. 6 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

London 0/4-1/4
New York 7-1/16
Japan 29-7/8
India 23-1/2
Paris 312
Hongkong 28-3/8

Sellers

Opening Closing
Spot 0/4-13/32 0/4-25/64
Feb. 0/4-25/64 0/4-3/8
Mar. 0/4-21/64 0/4-5/16

U.S. Dollars

Spot 27-5/16 27-9/32
Feb. 2-9/32 7-1/4
Mar. 7-5/32 7-1/8

Market—Quiet.

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/4-3/8.
U.S. Dollars, 27-1/4.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/24.
(The Equalisation rate was 14-3/4 per cent.)

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, February 5.

SINGAPORE RUBBER

	Previous	February 5	
Spot	37 1/8	37 1/4	up 1/4
APRIL-JUNE	35-3/8	35-3/4	up 3/8
JULY-SEPT.	34-3/8	34-1/2	up 3/8

The market was steady.

LONDON RUBBER

	Previous close	Today's close	
Spot	11-3/4	11-3/4	unch.
APRIL-JUNE	11-1/2	11-1/2	unch.
JULY-SEPT.	11-3/16	11-1/8	off 1/16
OCTOBER	11d.	10-15/16	off 1/16

After ruling steady, the market became dull.

NEW YORK COTTON: Favourable opinions regarding the commodity control measure encouraged more commission house demand and spinner buying which met with scarcity of offerings. General news was constructive. We are still of the opinion that July option will eventually attain 10.75.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Akron estimates are that domestic consumption will total 600,000 tons during the year, as against about 570,000 tons in 1939 and that for the first quarter, will be between 150,000 and 155,000 tons, while foreign consumption is expected to run around 35,000 to 37,000 tons monthly.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Sub-zero weather conditions in Europe caused some concern and the market closed firm on liberal decrease in the terminal markets.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 145.59; today's close 145.00; Change, off .59.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.	10.84	10.78	10.84	.08 up
New York Rubber, Mar.	18.75	18.76	18.69	.08 up
Chicago Wheat, May	97 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	1 up
Chicago Corn, May	56 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	1 up
New York Hides, Mar.	14.13	13.86	14.05	.17 off

NEW YORK COTTON

	Opening	Closing	Change
March	10.76/78	10.84/84	.08 up
May	10.41/42	10.45/46	.07 up
July	10.06/08	10.12/12	.07 up
October	9.47/48	9.52/52	.05 up
December	9.40/40	9.44/43	.04 up
January	9.35 N	9.42a	.03 up
Spot	10.81 N	10.89 N	.08 up

Total sales Saturday's—25,300 bales.

First Notice Day for March Cotton—27/2—Last Notice Day—15/3

NEW YORK RUBBER

	High	Low	Close	Change
March	18.69/69	18.75/80a	18.72/72	.03 up
May	18.19b/20a	18.24b	18.22/22	.03 up
July	18.01/01	18.05/05	18.04/04	.03 up
September	17.83b/85a	17.80b/87a	17.80b/87a	.03 off
December	17.62b/69a	17.58b/60a	17.58b/60a	.04 off

Total sales for the day—500 tons.

First Notice Day for March Rubber—28/2—Last Trading Day—27/3

CHICAGO WHEAT

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	96 3/8	96 1/8	97 1/8	1 up
July	94/94	93 1/2	94 1/2	1 up
September	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	1 up

Saturday's sales—12,386,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	54 1/2	55/55	56/55 1/2	1 up
July	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	1 up
September	55 1/2	55 1/2	56 1/2	1 up

WINNIPEG WHEAT

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	1 up
July	85 A	85 A	85 A	1 up
September	85 1/2 A	85 1/2 A	85 1/2 A	1 up

NEW YORK HIDES

	High	Low	Close	Change
March	14.05/07	14.13/13	13.88/90	.17 off
June	14.34/34	14.35b/40a	14.17/19	.17 off

First notice day for March hides—26/2/40 last trading day—25/3/40.

NEW YORK, Official unquoted

NY-London Cross Rate 3.98-3/8

New York Exchange

New York, Feb. 5 (Reuter).

T.T. on London (Opening Rate). 3.98-3/8.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Feb. 5 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 79-1/2.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Feb. 5 (Reuter).

Government 3 1/2 Rupee, 91-0-0 nominal.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 5 (Reuter).

Standard, Cash 236-1/2 236-3/4

Standard, 3 months 236-1/2 236-3/4

Standard, Settlement Price 236-3/4

Straits 261-3/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express	7 1/2	Kennecott Copper	35
Allegheny Steel Co.	21 1/2	Lake Foundry & Mac.	4 1/2
Allied Stores	8 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	49
Allis Chalmers	38 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	31
Aluminum Ltd.	100 1/2	Loew's Inc.	38
Amer. Can.	113	Mack Truck Inc.	24 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	34	Martin, Glen L.	30
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	18 1/2
Amer. Gas & Elec.	23 1/2	Monsanto Chemical	105 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	18 1/2	Montgomery Ward	51 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	23	National Aviation	12 1/2
Amer. Radiator	9 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	15 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	14 1/2	Nat. Distillers	23 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	48	National Gypsum	10 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	19 1/2	National Lead	19 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	17 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	3
Amer. Tobacco "B"	90	National Steel Corp.	8 1/2
Anacosta Copper	26 1/2	National Supply Corp.	16 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	23 1/2	New York Central	5
Auburn Motors	2	Niagara Hudson Power	5
Baltimore & Ohio	5 1/2	N. American Aviation	24 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	14 1/2	Northern Pacific	8 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	12 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	63 1/2
Bendix Aviation	30 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	33 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	73 1/2	Pacific Lighting	47
Bliss & Co.	13 1/2	Packard Motors	3
Boeing Airplane Co.	24 1/2	Paramount Pictures	7
Borg-Warner	22 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	21 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	10 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	34 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	20 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	39
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	18 1/2	Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	6 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan S.	57 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	40 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	57 1/2	Pullman Inc.	25 1/2
Case, J.I.	67 1/2	Pure Oil	8 1/2
Celanese	26 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	5 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	39 1/2	Reading Company, Com	15 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	81	Reading Company, 1st pfd	25 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	36 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	47 1/2
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	77 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	8 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	64	Republic Steel	19 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pfd.	83	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	11 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	47 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	40 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2	Richfield Oil	7 1/2
Consolidated Edison	32	Safeway Stores	48
Continental Can	7 1/2	Schenley Distillers	12 1/2
Continental Oil	43	Sears Roebuck	83
Copperweld Steel	16 1/2	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2
Corn Products	62 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	11 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	10 1/2	Southern Pacific	13 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	29 1/2	Southern Ry 5% pfd.	29 1/2
Deere & Co.	19 1/2	Sperry	45 1/2
Distillers Corp., Seagrams	19 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	30
Douglas Aircraft	81 1/2	Standard Brands	7
Du Pont de Nemours	179 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	1 1/2
Eagle Pitcher Lead	10 1/2	Standard Oil of California	24 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	30 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	42 1/2
Elec. Autolite	36	Stone & Webster	10 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	6 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	10
Elec. Bond & Share 5% pfd.	56 1/2	Swift International	31 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7% pfd.	30 1/2	Technicolor	16 1/2
Fisk Rubber	14 1/2	Texas Corp.	43
Flintkote	18 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	34 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	52 1/2	Timken-Axle	21 1/2
Gen. Electric	38 1/2	Trans-America Co.	5 1/2
Gen. Motors	52 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	11 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	18 1/2	20th Cent. Fox, 5 1/2 pfd.	24 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	21 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	79 1/2
Glidden Co.	17 1/2	Union Pacific	9 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	17 1/2	United Aircraft	48 1/2
Goodrich 5% pfd.	63 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	15 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	22 1/2	United Corp.	2 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	13 1/2	United Gas Corp.	1 1/2
Great Northern Ry, pfd.	23	United Gas Improvement	14 1/2
Great Western Sugar	27 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	21 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	16 1/2	U.S. Rubber	35 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	88 1/2	U.S. Rubber 5% pfd.	110 1/2
Homesite Mining	53 1/2	U.S. Steel	58 1/2
International Harvester	58	Vanadium	30 1/2
Int. Nickel	35 1/2	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	3 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	32
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1939	High	Low	Dow Jones Average	Feb. 3	Feb. 6, 1940	High	Low	Close	Change
155.82	131.41	30	Industrials	147.89	145.68	144.69	145.00	145.00	.39 off
35.90	24.14	30	Rails	30.65	31.51	30.39	30.50	30.50	.15 off
37.70	20.70	40	Utilities	34.74	34.78	34.53	34.58	34.58	.05 off
28.18	84.51	40	Bonds	89.25	89.25	89.25	89.25	89.25	.00 off
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WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., Feb. 6.
Barometer, (at sea level), 30.08 ins.
Temperature, 59 F.
Humidity, 85 per cent.
Wind Direction, W.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.
Temperature: maximum yesterday
65 F.
Temperature, minimum last night,
58 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m.
today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st
0.21 ins.

Against an average of, 1.59 ins.
Sunset tonight, 6.14 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7 a.m.

4 p.m., Feb. 6.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.01 ins.
Temperature, 66 F.
Humidity, 58 per cent.
Wind Direction, W/N.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Maximum temperature, 68 F.
Minimum temperature, 58 F.
Rainfall, nil.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

MAERSK LINE

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

THE

having arrived from New York and
Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby notified that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk
into the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Company's godowns at
Kowloon, where delivery may be
obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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here, unless Notice has been given 48
hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried
on from port to port to the final port of
call to which the option extends.

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Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
15th Feb., 1940, will be subject to
Rent.

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Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on 15th
Feb., 1940, at 10 a.m., by our
Surveyor Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded
Warehouse Regulations, consignees must
have a Revenue Officer in attendance
when damaged dutiable goods are
examined.

All claims must reach us before
the 15th Mar., 1940, or they will not
be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JEBSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 6th Feb., 1940. [63]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Ltd., where and/or
from the wharves delivery may be
obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
8th Feb., 1940, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 22nd Feb., 1940, or they will
not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded
Warehouse Regulations, consignees
must have a Revenue Officer in atten-
dance when damaged dutiable goods
are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on the 8th Feb.,
1940, at 9 a.m., by Messrs. Carmichael
& Clarke.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
W.R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA) Ltd.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1940. [55]

Japanese Determined To Compete With Foreign Shipping

TSINGTAO, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—
The necessity of placing British
public opinion in connexion with
the Yangtze and Tsingtao wharves
questions was emphasised by Mr.
H. Watanabe, of the Ministry of
Communications in Tokyo, during
his recent tour of inspection here.
It was revealed today by reliable
sources.

He is reported to have stated
that reprisals on the part of
Britain would be dangerous in
view of the present strained rela-
tions between Japan and the
United States.

According to the Shantung
Mainichi, Mr. Watanabe said that
the Japanese Government caused
the Yangtze to be opened to third
Power vessels because it consid-
ered that shipping must be resumed
on a just basis, otherwise reprisals
might follow.

The Japanese Government
however, he added, is resolved
to compete with foreign ship-
ping in the most determined
manner.

MORE INTENSE

Mr. Watanabe is said to have re-
vealed that Japanese shipping
competition under the manage-
ment of the Toa Kaifu Kaisha
will become more intense in China.
Two more ships will soon be put
on each of the following lines:
Tientsin-Shanghai, Tientsin-Can-
ton, and Dairen-Canton.

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ment subsidy of ¥6,000,000 and
propose to build 70,000 tons this
year and 80,000 tons next year.
When this new building pro-
gramme is completed, Mr. Watan-
abe thinks that Japanese shipping
can monopolise the China trade.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 7 to 13 Feb. 1940.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Date of Week	Time	Date of Week	Time
Wed. 7	10:06	Thurs. 8	10:06
Thurs. 8	10:31	Fri. 9	10:31
Fri. 9	11:00	Sat. 10	11:00
Sat. 10	11:25	Sun. 11	11:25
Sun. 11	11:44	Mon. 12	11:44
Mon. 12	12:05	Tues. 13	12:05
Tues. 13	12:30		

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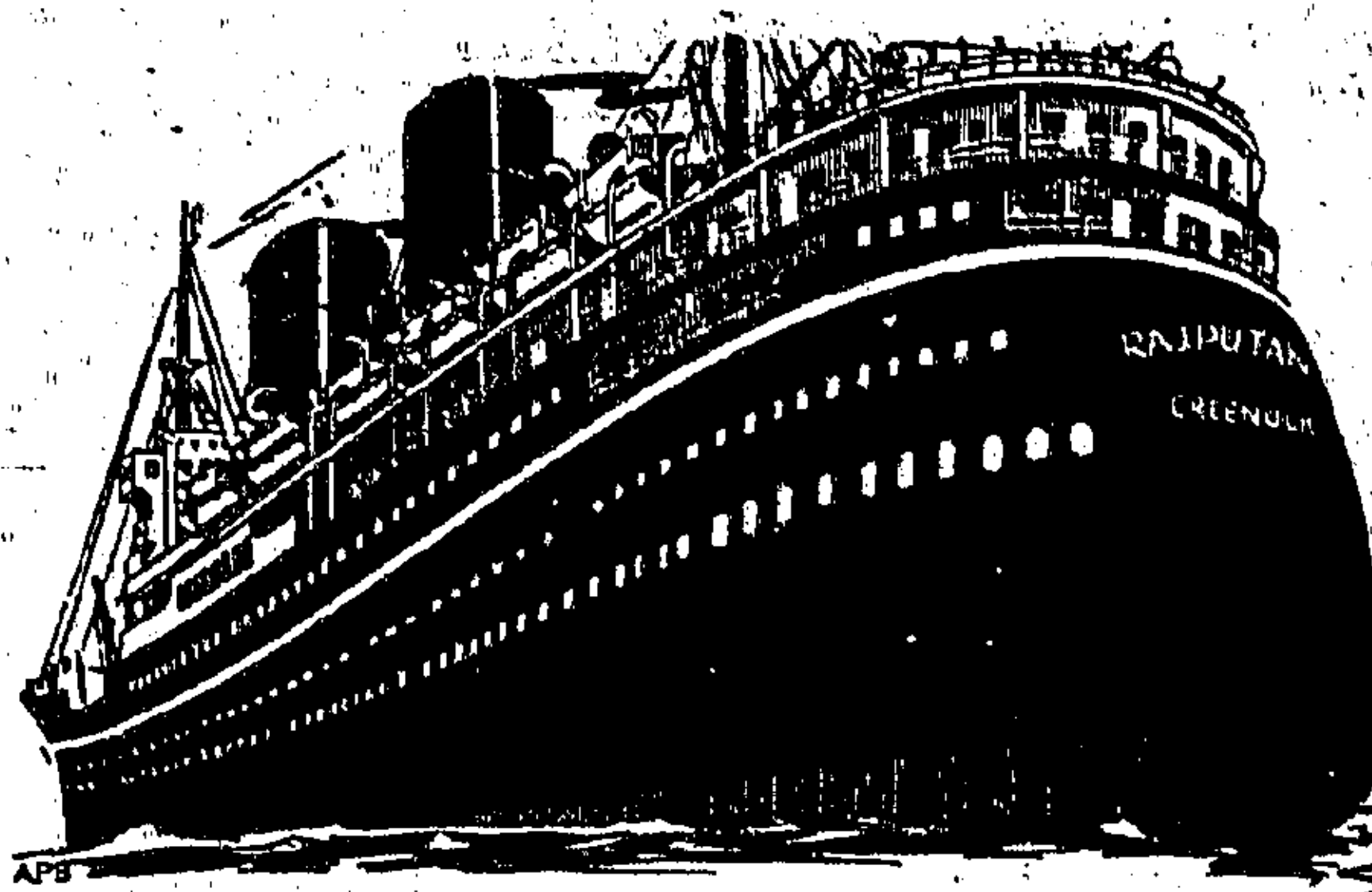
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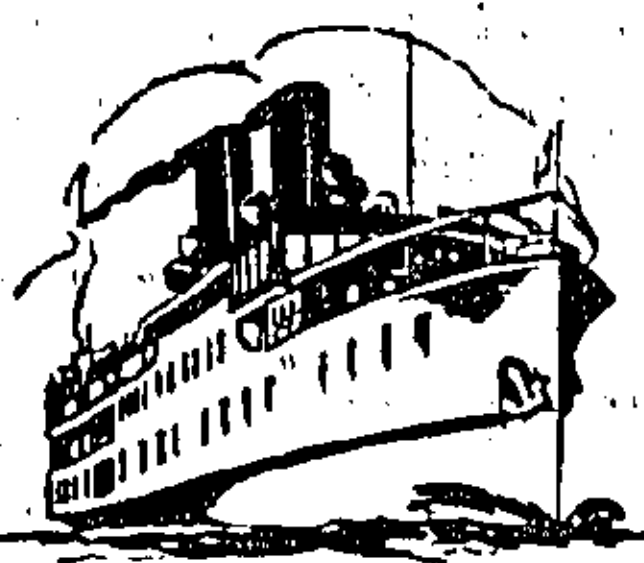
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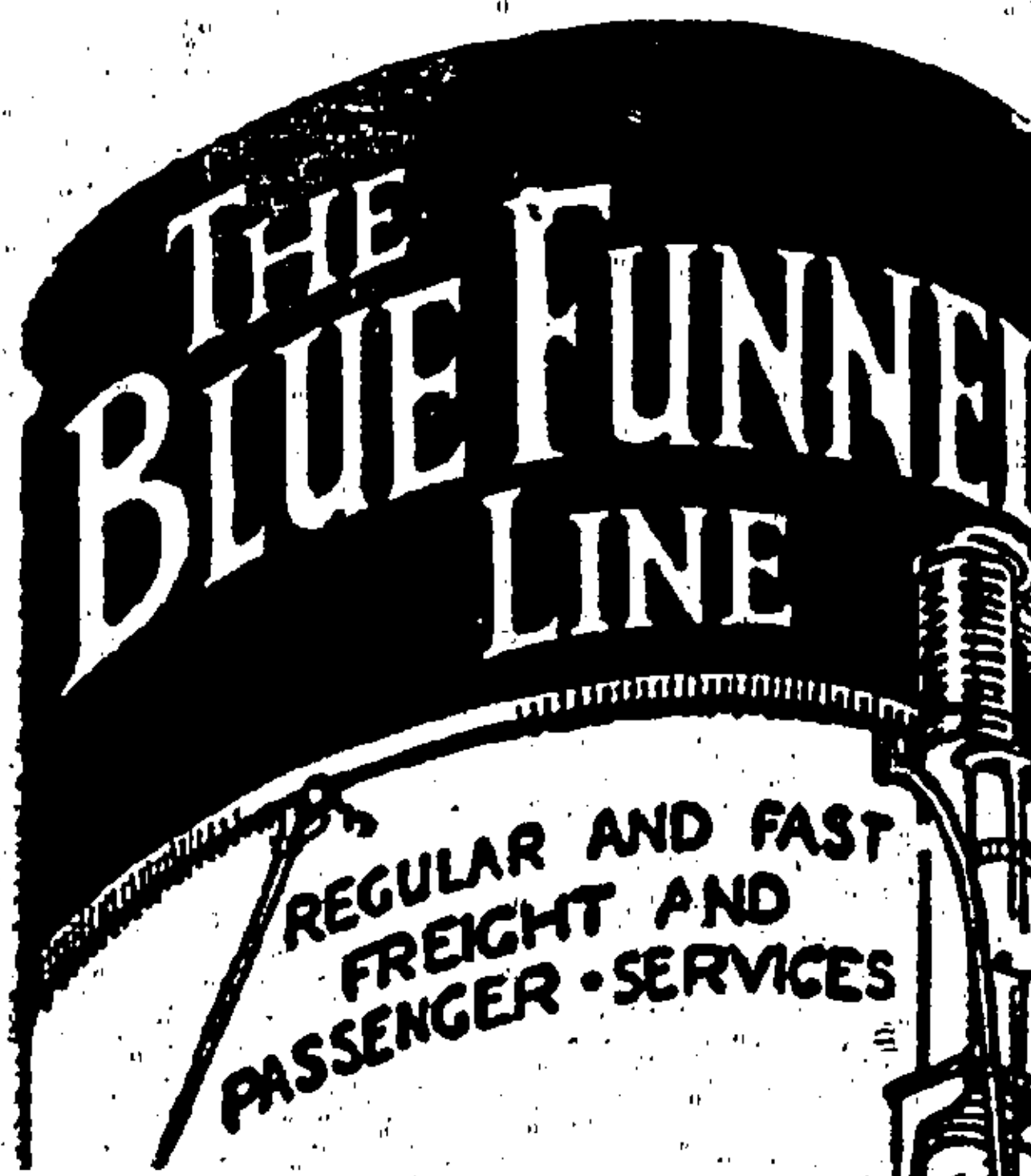
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NEWFOUNDLAND
SAILORS CHEER
PREMIER'S WIFELONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—A
party of sailors from Newfound-
land, some of the many who joined
the Royal Navy, who are
spending a few days leave in
London, had an unexpected meet-
ing with Mrs. Chamberlain yes-
terday morning.

WOMEN GUIDES

They were being shown the
sights of London by women who
volunteered to act as guides.
When Mrs. Chamberlain heard
that the sailors were in White-
hall, came immediately and hat-
less from No. 10, Downing Street,
to see them.The party formed two ranks
and as the Prime Minister's wife
approached, one of their number
called to attention.Mrs. Chamberlain spent
nearly twenty minutes chat-
ting with the men, who
heartily cheered her as she
stood on the doorstep of No.
10, before they left.Finns Claim
Big Land
VictoryHELSINKI, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—
Yesterday morning enemy air-
craft raided Kajaani, the terminus
of the railway running north-
wards through Centre and
Southern Finland but no details
are yet available.Recently Soviet airmen appear
to have been concentrating on
the bombing of hospitals and
country churches. Many places
of worship were burned down as
a result of such attacks.

BIG VICTORY

HELSINKI, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—
According to reports reaching
here last night, the Finns have
gained another big victory.The Eighteenth Soviet Division,
which was marooned for a week
at Kitea, north-east of Lake
Ladoga, was virtually wiped out.
Between 1,500 to 1,800 men were
killed, captured or died of cold
and hunger.It was confirmed that this
victory marks the culmination of
the failure of the Russian attempt
to outflank the Mannerheim Line.
A communique issued here
states that 500 Russians were
killed in a battle north of Lake
Ladoga.

AIR SUCCESSES

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—
Confirmation has reached London
of the reports of the astonishing
success of the Finnish Air Force
against the Soviet, writes Reuter's
diplomatic correspondent.It is estimated that so far the
Russians have lost at least 240
planes, while fifteen Finnish
machines were brought down.
Most of the Russian losses are
attributed to air combats.

MOSCOW COMMUNIQUE

MOSCOW, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—A
Red Army communique regarding
Sunday's operations in Finland
states that there were patrol ac-
tivities and some infantry clashes
in the region north of Lake
Ladoga, with reconnaissance and
bombing by our aircraft.

DETAILS OF BATTLE

HELSINKI, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—
Every Soviet attack designed to
relieve the Eighteenth Division
was hurled back and heavy
Finnish artillery on the island
fortress in Mannerheim contin-
uously peppered the only road
from Kitea.The beleaguered troops are in
a ghastly plight. Their supplies
are cut off and they are com-
pelled to eat their horses.
Once a Russian plane tried to
drop bread, but it was fired at
from the Finnish lines.Much credit for the victory goes
to the Finnish ski patrols, who
worked swiftly around through
dense snow-filled forests, north of
the Russians, and when the order
was given, all began to close in.

TOO LATE

The Soviet officers, too late,
realised their position and made
an effort to break through along
the shores of the lake, but this
move was foreseen and the bat-
teries of Mannerheim dropped a
curtain of shells, while larger
bodies of Finnish troops, armed
mainly with machine-guns, steadily
closed in from the surrounding
woods.The marooned division wireless-
ed an appeal for help. Other So-
viet units tried to respond andF.A. Cup Final And
Other Impressions
Of Home SoccerAt the meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association
held last night, with Mr. D. B. Mitchell in the chair, Mr. D. Kossick,
gave an interesting talk on the English F. A. Cup Final and other
impressions of Home football.Prefacing his talk with a brief
history of the F. A. Cup, which he
said was inaugurated in the 1871-
72 season, Mr. Kossick said:It is remarkable that from such
a humble beginning, the Final Tie
has been one of the greatest at-
tractions for some time. The Final
Tie of 1939 was no exception to
this and although I applied for
three high priced tickets as early
November 1938, and was promised
consideration, two days before the
match, I was offered—by telegram
—one only half-crown ticket.Once in possession of a ticket it
is not difficult to get to one's
allotted place in the Stadium on
Cup Final Day.

IMPRESSIVE SIGHT

Well having got to this stage we
found ourselves with half-an-hour
to spare before the kick-off, the
in a modified way. Many minor
Guards Band just finishing off
and Community Singing about tostart. The sight was a very im-
pressive one and that, alone worth
all the trouble it had been to get
there.Time passed quickly, the hoist-
ing of the Royal Standard indicat-
ed the arrival of the King and
Queen. Players, entering in pairs,
and officials were soon on the field
and the match in progress.The present season started off
with quite a flourish but, of course
like all other seasons with its prob-
lems. First there was alteration
to the charging rule.The second Saturday of the
Season, however, brought such
persistent rumours of war that
interest in that day's matches was
very much diminished. Despite
the catastrophe, football, after a
brief interception, continued but
in a modified way. Many minor
leagues are also carrying on, how-
and Community Singing about toHIGH SCORING IN S.R.(A)
CLASS AT H.K.R.A. SHOOTIn spite of the cold weather, 76 members attended the meeting
on Saturday last. Conditions were good, the wind, although strong,
kept steady, scores in the S.R. (a) class being high.Nett spoons were won by Mr.
Guard of the Dockyard Rifle Club
in S.R. (b) class, with 97, while
Q.M.S. J. Ball, R.A.O.C., once again
took one with open sights scoring
a splendid 97.Sgt. Breese, R.N.R.S. won a silver
bush with a possible at 200 yards.
Handicap spoons were won by Mr.
Langley, D.R.C. Ptes. A. M. and C.
M. Xavier both of H.K.V.D.C. and
Mr. H. S. Jones, D.R.C.There will be no meeting at
Stonecutters next Saturday.
Shooting at Kowloon City today
will be at 500, 700 and 800 yards
for S.R. (b) and 200, 500 and 600
for S.R. (a) 10 shots at each range.

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S.I. (R)

DR. KUNG'S ATTACK

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down the collective security sys-
tem.It also closes China's Open Door
and impairs the interests and
prestige of third Powers, espe-
cially those of the United States.China's reply to the secret
agreement, Dr. Kung declared, is
continuation of her staunch resis-
tance. The agreement should
serve as a strong stimulant to all
Chinese, giving them a fuller real-
isation of the enemy's designs and
a greater determination to win
the final victory.Referring to the allegations of
the Wang Ching-wei clique that
what was published forms only
the wishes of a party, of the Jap-
anese and not the demands of the
Japanese Government, and is dif-
ferent from the agreement actu-
ally signed, Dr. Kung com-
mented that all these have appar-
ently been made to deceive the Chinese
and to "whitewash their con-
spiracy against the State."Judging by the fact that the
Japanese negotiators Sadaki
Kageza, Ken Inukai and Shimizu
are all important Japanese offi-
cials, even a small boy can tell
that the demands they presented
represented those of the Japanese
Government, Dr. Kung said."If Wang Ching-wei has signed
better terms with Japan, why
doesn't he publish them?" Dr.
Kung asked.

UNTRUSTWORTHY

Describing the secret agreement
as "an unprecedented intrigue" in
international politics, Dr. Kung
said that it is more damaging
than the Tanaka Memorial and
shows that the Hirota's three
principles for the readjustment of
Sino-Japanese relations and
Konoye's statement are untrust-
worthy. Any important article in
the agreement, if actually en-
forced, will spell China's doom.Dr. Kung said even the Jap-
anese militarists know that any
agreement signed by Wang Ching-
wei who has been expelled by the
Chinese Government will have no
validity. The reason why they
forced him to sign it is that they
wanted to "save face" and to
cover up their failure in the
aggressive war in China.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 7th FEBRUARY, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

On Thursday, the 8th February, the General Post Office and all
Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed. There will be no collection
from the Pillar boxes and no delivery by Postmen.On Friday, the 9th February, the General Post Office and Kow-
loon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sheung-
wan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and the
other Branch Offices will be entirely closed.There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays
and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 11
a.m. The Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long will
also have one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m.The Money Order Office, will be entirely closed during the holi-
days.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Shanghai and Amoy	7th Feb.
Straits	7th Feb.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 15th December 1939)	7th Feb.
Canton	7th Feb.
Saloon	7th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	7th Feb.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 31st January	7th Feb.
Haiphong	7th Feb.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Ser- vice"—San Francisco date, 27th January	8th Feb.
Sandakan	8th Feb.
Shanghai	8th Feb.
Shanghai and Amoy	8th Feb.
Haiphong, Hoihow & Fort Bayard	8th Feb.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London, date, 24th January	8th Feb.
Saloon	8th Feb.
Shanghai	8th Feb.
Saloon	8th Feb.
Shanghai	8th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	8th Feb.
Canton	8th Feb.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" —London date, 27th January	10th Feb.
Shanghai	10th Feb.
Shanghai	10th Feb.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	10th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	10th Feb.
Manila	10th Feb.
Canton	10th Feb.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 3rd February	11th Feb.
Manila	11th Feb.
Shanghai and Amoy	11th Feb.
Shanghai	11th Feb.
Manila	11th Feb.
Australia and Manila	11th Feb.
Bangkok and Tourane	12th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	12th Feb.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th January)	13th Feb.
Java and Manila	13th Feb.
Japan	13th Feb.
Manila	13th Feb.
U. S. A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 20th January)	15th Feb.
Shanghai	15th Feb.
Australia and Manila	15th Feb.
Shanghai	15th Feb.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	17th Feb.
Japan	18th Feb.
Straits	20th Feb.

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Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier
than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where
mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and
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Hoihow	1.30 PM
Fort Bayard	1.30 PM
Swatow	1.30 PM
Manila	2.30 PM
K.F.O.	
Airmail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris 15th February	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	
Shanghai and Japan	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Straits	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	
K.F.O.	
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U. S. A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"— due San Francisco, 15th Feb.	Reg. 7th 5.00 PM Ord. 7th 7.30 AM
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Reg. 10.30 AM Ord. 11.00 AM
Shanghai and Japan	11.00 AM
SATURDAY	
Haiphong	2.00 PM
Amoy and Swatow	2.30 PM
Bangkok	2.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles— due Marseilles 7th March—and London Parcels— due London 15th March	G.P.O. & K.F.O. Parcels 3.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O. & K.F.O.	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"— due London 18th February	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
SUNDAY	
Canton	Sun. 11th 7.15 AM
MONDAY	
Haiphong	Mon. 12th 1.00 PM
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin	2.30 PM

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